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Khaled receives Indonesian officials

RIYADH, April 25 (SPA) — King Khaled Wednesday received Amir Mufti Tund leader of Golkar, the majority party in the Indonesian parliament and the accompanying delegation.

The King also received Professor Harun Zein, Indonesia's manpower and installation minister.

The meeting was attended by Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah, Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal, the King's Adviser Dr. Rashad Pharaon and Labor and Social Affairs Undersecretary Sheikh Ibrahim Al-Anqari.



INDONESIAN VISITOR: King Khaled Wednesday receives Amir Mufti Tund, leader of Golkar, the majority party in the Indonesian parliament. (SPA photo)

Ceremony delayed by dispute

Egypt, Israel formally ratify treaty

UM-KHASHIBA, Sinai, April 25 (AP) — Israel and Egypt exchanged documents Wednesday to ratify their peace treaty in a ceremony delayed for two hours and 20 minutes by a last-minute dispute over wording.

Sources here and Israel Radio reported the issue involved Palestinian autonomy, but officials of the Israeli delegation would not explain what the difficulty was. Consultations with Tel Aviv and Cairo were required before the ceremony could go on at this remote American surveillance station.

There were reports that the dispute was on a side letter to the treaty covering procedure for starting negotiations on autonomy for Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza. But officials at the ceremony said one word was involved in an Egyptian document and that changes had to be made.

Sources said Egypt wanted to

include the letter in the package of documents exchanged and Israel wanted it left out. After the delegations conferred and contacted Cairo and Tel Aviv, the dispute was resolved. Sources would not say how the issue was settled.

But the ceremony went on deep in the Sinai, 155 miles southeast of Cairo and 240 miles southwest of Tel Aviv. The formal ratification sets in motion the various timetables in the treaty for Israeli troop withdrawal, for the start of Israeli shipping through the Suez Canal and for starting negotiations on Palestinian autonomy.

The head of the Egyptian delegation, Saad Afra of the foreign ministry, said the treaty was "an important step in the search for a comprehensive peace." And he told the military honor guards of Israel and Egypt, "You are witnessing the untying of the flag of peace."

Earlier, in Cairo Israeli Defense Minister Ezer Weizmann called on the Palestine Liberation Organization to "stop shooting and start talking," apparently issuing an indirect invitation to the resistance movement to enter negotiations.

The remark on arrival appeared conciliatory. But an Israeli source, who barred use of his name, talked with Weizmann afterward and said the defense minister did not intend to suggest direct talks with the PLO.

The "stop shooting and start talking" comment may have been a slip of the tongue, the source claimed, and a clarification may be issued later.

Weizmann made the remarks on his arrival for talks with his Egyptian counterpart, Lt. Gen. Kamal Hassen Ali on Israeli withdrawal from Sinai. Israel's official policy is that it will never recognize or negotiate with the PLO.

and the significance of Weiz-

mann's remarks was not immediately clear.

Weizmann's arrival was delayed three days because of a Palestinian commando operation in northern Israel and retaliation raids in southern Lebanon. Four Israelis died in the original raid, and at least 12 people in Lebanon during the reprisals.

Talking to reporters at Cairo airport Weizmann was asked whether Israel would eventually have to talk to the PLO.

"I not only hope we can find a solution, but I would like to remind that the peace treaty, part of it, is to go into negotiations to find a solution" (to the Palestinian problem) Weizmann replied.

"I suggest that the PLO and all of my other so-called enemies go on the path of peace with Egypt and stop shooting and start talking," Weizmann added.

The Sinai exchange took place in bright sunlight under the flags of Israel, Egypt, the United Nations and the United States.

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throw a cloud over the talks on the West Bank and Gaza.

Spokesman Carter quoted standing U.S. policy that such settlements were illegal and constituted an obstacle to progress in reaching a peaceful resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The settlements issue has been an irritation in U.S.-Israeli relations for years. But with the signing of the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty last month, the latest decision appeared certain to embarrass Egypt's President Anwar Sadat and to increase his isolation from the rest of the Arab world.

Meanwhile, Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin said Tuesday that Israel would not withdraw from the Golan Heights.

"If at any time we engage in peace negotiations with Syria, we shall demand border adjustments in our northern boundaries which will ensure that the Golan Heights remain in our hands," Begin said.

This attitude was endorsed by the whole cabinet, including Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, the prime minister told a meeting of his ruling Likud Party.

He was replying to criticism of remarks made by Dayan last week and interpreted as indicating that under a peace agreement with Syria, Israel might agree to hand back the strategic heights captured in 1967.

"This will be a unilateral (Continued on back page)

To Zayed

UAE cabinet submits resignation

ABU DHABI, April 25 (Agencies) — The United Arab Emirates cabinet submitted its resignation to President Zayed bin Sultan Wednesday, it was officially announced here.

An emergency meeting of the cabinet, under the chairmanship of Prime Minister Sheikh Maktoum bin Rashed al Maktoum, early Wednesday decided on the resignation "to pave the way for forming a new cabinet to face the coming phase of national action," the announcement said.

It was the third cabinet since the federation, composed of seven emirates, was formed after the British left the area militarily nine years ago.

The cabinet resignation came a day after Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah left Abu Dhabi following four days of intensive talks to reconcile disputes between Sheikh Zayed and the UAE Vice President Sheikh Rashed bin Saeed Al-Maktoum on ways to unify the federation.

Sheikh Sabah said in Kuwait Tuesday that his mediation trip, the second since April 4, had produced agreement on all outstanding issues, which, he said, had stalled the activities of the federation in the past.

The differences came into the open last month when Sheikh Rashed, ruler of Dubai, boycotted the session of the Supreme Council summoned to discuss a memorandum setting out ways of strengthening the federation.

The council, made up of the rulers of the seven emirates was also boycotted by Ras al-Khaimah's ruler, Sheikh Saqr bin Muhammad al-Qassimi in solidarity with Sheikh Rashed.

The memorandum, which had been prepared by the cabinet and the Federal Council (parliament) called for the abolition of state boundaries and greater integration in all fields, including military, security and economy, and a permanent constitution.

Qatar, UAE sever relations with Egypt

ABU DHABI, April 25 (Agencies) — Two more Arab countries broke diplomatic relations with Egypt Wednesday in protest against the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

The decision by the governments of the United Arab Emirates and Qatar to break relations brought to six the number of Arab countries which have cut ties with Cairo since President Anwar Sadat agreed to sign the separate treaty.

Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Kuwait and Mauritania earlier broke relations with Egypt as part of a drive in the Arab world to implement sanctions against Egypt for signing the treaty.

Five other countries — Iraq, Syria, Libya, Algeria and South Yemen — broke relations with

photographer were caught in the midday of the Tyre barrage. They followed ambulances to a refugee camp clinic and watched a young doctor running from room to room tending to the wounded. Ambulances delivered victims at a rate of one every five minutes during the bombardment. The hospital's white floor was covered with blood.

The PLO rejected the "stop shooting and start talking" call issued by Israeli Defense Minister Ezer Weizmann upon his arrival in Cairo for talks on removal of Israeli forces from Sinai.

"This blood-thirsty man (Weizmann) cannot be taken seriously," said PLO spokesman Mahmoud Labadi. "He has first to call in his air force and navy, which are attacking civilian Palestinian and Lebanese targets, including women and children, before making such an offer."

"The escalation of Israeli attacks against Palestinians in Lebanon shows that the (Egyptian-Israeli) treaty is

against Palestinian positions and refugee camps near Tyre.

Nabatiyeh also came under heavy artillery bombardment from daybreak to midday at the longest streak of Israeli attacks against Palestinians in 10 months continued unabated, the communiqué said.

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In an earlier communiqué, the PLO said a "missile boat flotilla" teamed with border artillery positions in a concerted barrage

panic-spreading mission."

The planes buzzed Palestinian positions and camps along the coastline in southern and northern Lebanon, too, the communiqué added.

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Sultan says

AIO future under study

RIYADH, April 25 — Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan said the future of the Arab Industries Organization (AIO) is being reviewed in the wake of the Egyptian-Israeli treaty.

The prince was quoted by two Saudi newspapers Wednesday as saying the joint Arab armaments company's future was a subject for intense discussions by the four member countries — Saudi Arabia, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Egypt.

Prince Sultan said the future of the company could not be decided by the Kingdom along but by all its

founding members.

The AIO was established in 1975 to help Cairo diversify its weapons resources after 20 years of complete dependence on the Soviet Union. The initial capital was \$1.04 billion with Egypt supplying the manpower and the Gulf states the funds.

In interviews with "Al-Jazirah" and "Al-Riyad" Prince Sultan said whatever decision is finally reached on AIO, "it should be one which best serves the interests of the Arab world."

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New U.S. envoy named

Bazargan asks for end to discord

TEHRAN, April 25 (Agencies) — Prime Minister Mehdi Bazargan made a new appeal for national unity in a radio and television address Tuesday night, urging Iran's citizens to "do away with the revengeful sense" and work together for progress.

Bazargan said, however, he was not making a new criticism of the nation's revolutionary tribunals, which have executed many soldiers, policemen and government officials of the Shah's regime on grounds of murder and corruption.

The air attack, followed an intensive barrage of border artillery and naval missiles, 17 Palestinians and Lebanese died in the first three days. The Palestinians say 10 persons were killed and 40 wounded Wednesday.

Israel's four-day campaign is its longest and most intensive since it invaded southern Lebanon in March 1978, leaving part of the area in control of U.N. peacekeepers and the rest with its ally in the south, rebel Lebanese army Maj. Saad Haddad.

Israel began its campaign Sunday a few hours after seaborne Palestinian commandos raided the northern Israeli seaside resort of Nahariya, killing four Israelis.

A PLO communiqué said Wednesday's air, sea and ground bombardment by Israel followed the shooting by commandos of "several volleys" of Soviet-made Katyusha rockets into northern Israel.

The PLO said most of Wednesday's casualties occurred at refugee camps around Tyre and in Nabatiyeh, 30 miles inland.

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Kingdom stepping into future, Nazer says

Steel mill foundation stone laid at Jubail

By a Staff Reporter

The planned giant hydrocarbon-based industrial complex at Jubail moved a step closer to reality Wednesday as the foundation stone for the \$80,000-ton year steel mill was laid by Prince Abdul Mohsen ibn Juhui, governor of the Eastern Province.

"There is no doubt that in view of the resources we have, industrialization is the fastest vehicle not only for the diversification of our economic base, but also for the increase of added value," Minister of Planning and Acting Minister of Industry and Electricity Sheikh Hisham Nazer told the audience of 250 industrialists, government representatives and members of the Royal Commission at Jubail's Camp Nine. The event meant that the Kingdom "has truly started to step into the future."

The project, christened Saudi Iron and Steel Company, a joint

Married to Saudi

Belgian woman converts to Islam

TAIF, April 25 — A Belgian woman last Saturday embraced Islam and renamed herself Fatima, "Al-Medina" reported Wednesday.

She is married to Saudi, Dr. Tamer Al-Hajji, the supervisor of Hayat Turab project.

She said she embraced Islam because she was convinced that this religion was suitable for all time and every place and that it strengthened family bonds, and in Muslim countries one felt secure.

She said "this country was the place where the Holy Quran was revealed to the Prophet and where

the light came from. It is therefore the best country in the world."

Meanwhile, the Saudi Press Agency reported from Mecca that Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan, secretary-general of the Muslim World League, Wednesday conferred with Sheikh Muhammad Al-Alwani, the director of the Islamic Cultural Center in Brussels, on setting up a Higher Council of Mosques in Europe, to be based in Brussels.

Harakan also conferred with Al-Mufti Mahmoud, head of the Pakistan National Coalition Association and director general



Prince Abdul Mohsen ibn Juhui completely to satisfy the demand of the Saudi construction industry for steel concrete reinforcement bars, today imported at a cost of about \$1 billion per year.

Abdul Aziz Al-Zamel, vice-chairman and managing director

venture between Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC) (80 per cent) and Korf-Stahl AG of West Germany (20 per cent) is the first Jubail primary industry over which final agreements have been reached.

Agreements for other industries are being delayed, Nazer said earlier, over the question of oil entitlements to foreign partners, an issue which cannot be settled until the government take-over of ARAMCO is completed.

No crude oil entitlements were involved in the agreement between Korf-Stahl and SABIC.

The Jubail steel project is expected to begin production in early 1982, fueled by natural gas supplied by the huge Eastern Province gas-gathering project undertaken by ARAMCO for the government.

The initial production of the steel mill, together with the planned expansion of the Jeddah steel rolling plant, another SABIC-Korf Stahl enterprise, is expected

of SABIC said the price of a ton of steel bars produced by the complex would be SR1,150, as opposed to today's SR1,500 or SR1,600.

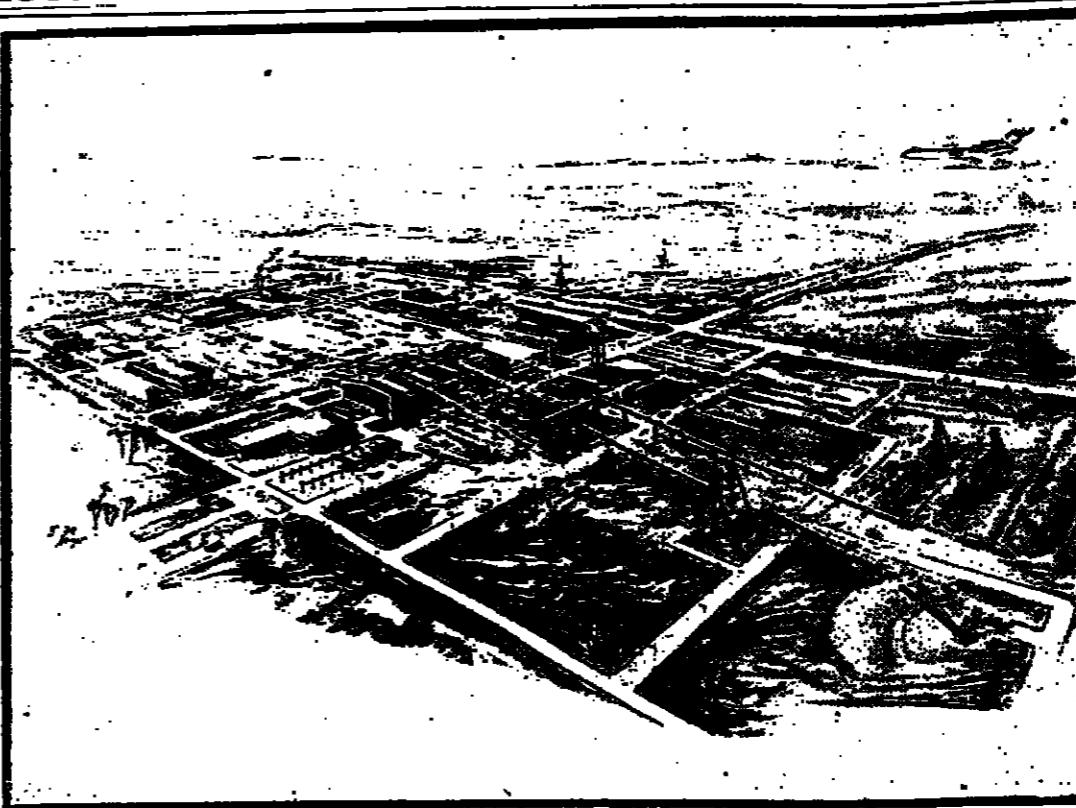
The gas, used both for an energy source and feedstock, will not be free to the new company, but officials would not commit themselves to a figure indicating its future selling price to industries at Jubail.

Willy Korf, chairman of the Korf group which last year produced 2.5 million tons of steel worldwide, said he was "convinced that someday it will be meaningful to export steel, at least in the form of semi-finished material or even sponge iron, from here not only in order to take advantage of the energy and raw material sources in Saudi Arabia, but also to enable this country to export products other than oil."

Industry reports predict that world steel production, which reached 713 million tons in 1978, will grow in less than a decade to more than 1.2 billion tons, with the majority of increased consumption taking place in developing countries. The market outlook for the Jubail steel project is especially promising, according to Korf, because the increase of consumption in the Middle East during that time is expected to jump 10 percent, compared with a Western growth rate of only about four per cent.

Irish

DAMMAM, April 25 (SPA) — Governor of the Eastern Province Prince Abdul Mohsen ibn Juhui conferred here Wednesday morning with an Irish delegation led by Minister of State for Foreign Affairs David Andrews. The meeting was attended by Ireland's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Eamon O'Tuallaith.



JUBAIL : An artist's conception of the projected steel mill, where Eastern Province Governor Prince Abdul Mohsen ibn Juhui laid the foundation stone Wednesday.

Simonet reports on talks

Saud urged Western push to peace

BRUSSELS, April 25 (AP) — A spokesman for Belgian Foreign Affairs Minister Henri Simonet, who has just visited Saudi Arabia, said Wednesday Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal, told him a new diplomatic effort by Washington and the European Community could help further progress towards peace, including resolving the Palestinian problem.

Simonet visited the Kingdom last weekend, the first West European leader to do so since Israel and Egypt signed the peace treaty in Washington a month ago.

In a joint statement at the end of his visit, Simonet and Prince Saud

called on Israel to relinquish Jerusalem.

Simonet plans to brief his Common Market counterparts on his visit to Riyadh when they meet May 12 and 13 in Cahors, France.

In an interview which was to be broadcast on Israel Radio Wednesday night, Simonet acknowledges it has been difficult for the Nine European Community nations to find a common position on Middle East peace.

Belgium will also insist on resolving the Palestinian question. Simonet warned if that does not happen "we could find ourselves in a situation that may be more unfavorable than the one before the signing of the peace treaty."

Pakistani aide due here

ISLAMABAD, April 25 (AP)

— Agha Shahi, foreign affairs adviser to President Zia ul-Haq, is to hold talks with Saudi officials, it was announced here Wednesday. He was scheduled to fly to the Kingdom Wednesday night. No details were given on the possible substance of his talks, or whom he would be seeing.

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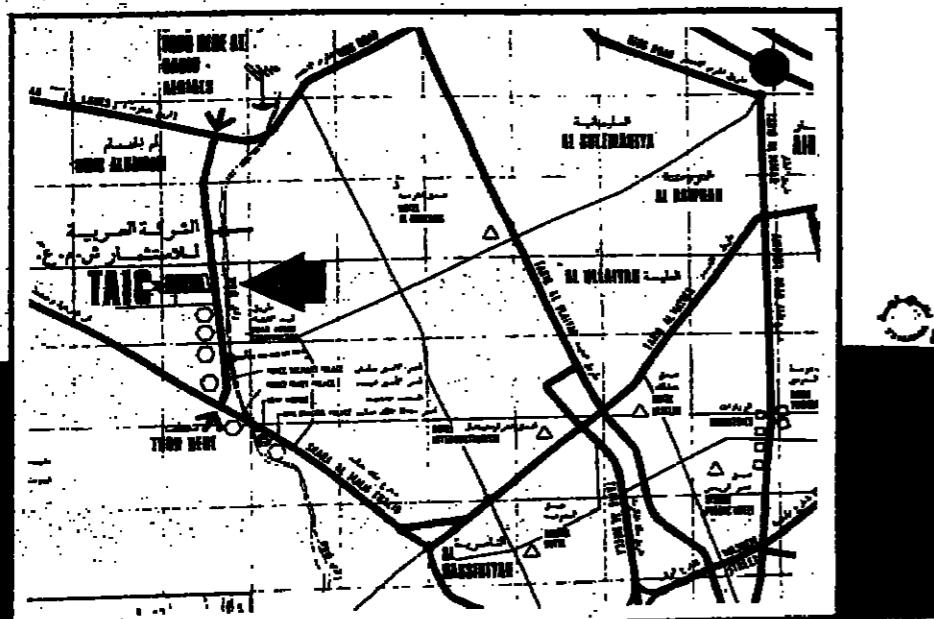
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Martial law proclaimed in six more Turkish areas

ANKARA, April 25 (R) — The Turkish government has decided to proclaim martial law in six more eastern provinces and to prolong martial law already in force since December in 13 others by two months.

A statement issued after a cabinet meeting said a recommendation on these lines made earlier Tuesday by the National Security Council had been adopted by the government.

Martial law will take effect for the first time in the provinces of Adiyaman, Diyarbakir, Mardin, Siirt, Tunceli and Hakkari beginning Thursday.

But the government's decision will first have to be

be approved by the Turkish parliament. A vote was expected Wednesday.

The three main opposition parties say they will vote against the move because, they claim, the government is mishandling the institution of martial law.

Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit, who has 211 seats in the National Assembly, is expected to win a majority of 226 votes thanks to support by independent members.

Martial law in 13 Turkish provinces, including Ankara and Istanbul, was proclaimed last Dec. 26 after riots which cost more than 100 lives.

Syria denies Egyptian charge of plotting sabotage operations

DAMASCUS, April 25 (R) — Syria Wednesday denied Egypt's accusations that it was behind sabotage operations in Egypt, saying the charge was a plot by President Anwar Sadat to distract attention from opposition in his country.

"Sadat's regime is now trying to find ways of blaming outside forces for the popular upheavals and opposition inside Egypt after it has become clear that the regime is treasonous," the official daily "Al-Thawra" said.

Egyptian Interior Minister Nabawi Ismail told a news conference in Cairo Tuesday that Syria had plotted sabotage operations there to demonstrate its opposition to the peace treaty with Israel.

He also showed the news conference a Syrian and Lebanese who had been arrested in Egypt. They said they were members of a new organization called "The Eagles of the Palestinian Revolution", an

offshoot of the Syrian-backed Palestinian organization "Al-Saqa."

The said they had been sent to plant bombs in the foreign ministry and passport offices "to kill many people and cause confusion and terror in Egypt."

"Al-Thawra" said Egypt had no alternative after the country's isolation from the rest of the Arab world "but to accuse Syria of engineering acts of sabotage."

"The aim behind the charge is to provoke the parties to the American-Zionist plot against Syria."

The government daily newspaper "Tishrin" said reports from Cairo indicated that 50 Egyptian army officers were executed recently after U.S. and Egyptian intelligence foiled a coup.

"After that Sadat's regime accused outside quarters of inciting trouble inside Egypt," it said.

Carter seeking India's help to halt Pakistan's atomic arms

WASHINGTON, April 25 (AP) — U.S. President Jimmy Carter asked India's help in keeping nuclear weapons from Pakistan, Indian Foreign Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee said Tuesday.

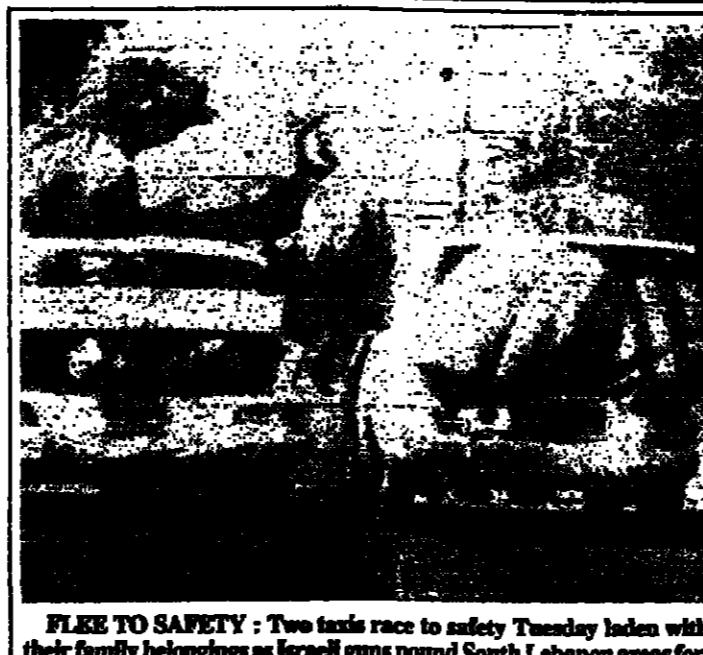
"He assured me that the United States is taking all steps to prevent Pakistan from having a nuclear weapon," Vajpayee told reporters after a talk with the president earlier Tuesday. He is on a three-day visit to Washington.

On receiving Vajpayee in his office, Carter praised India in the presence of reporters as "the world's largest democracy."

"We're very proud of our good relationship with India," he said.

Vajpayee reported afterward that in response to Carter's request he had said: "We want a stable and prosperous Pakistan. Pakistan has no reason to be afraid of India."

The United States has recently cut off \$85 million worth of aid to Pakistan because of its efforts to manufacture enriched uranium, which could be



FLEE TO SAFETY: Two tens race to safety Tuesday laden with their family belongings as Israeli guns pound South Lebanon areas for the fourth day. (See story page one). (AP Photo)

Begin thanks Brezhnev for release of 5 Jews

TEL AVIV, April 25 (AP) — Prime Minister Menahem Begin sent a personal message of thanks to Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev for releasing from prison five Jews convicted in the Leningrad hijack case, the newspaper "Yediot Acharonot" said Wednesday.

A spokesman at the prime minister's office refused to comment on the report.

According to the newspaper account, a letter was transmitted by an unidentified third party because Israel and the Soviet Union have no diplomatic relations.

Last week Brezhnev personally granted pardons to the five, convicted in 1970 of attempting to

Iran to attend Morocco parley

RABAT, April 25 (R) — A large delegation from the Iranian government will attend a conference of Islamic foreign ministers to be held in Fez from May 8 to 12, the pro-government "Le Matin" said Wednesday.

It also quoted reliable sources as saying that the Iranian government had approved the appointment of Abdolhadi Tezi as the Moroccan ambassador in Tehran to replace Ghali Benhima.

steal a Soviet plane in order to emigrate to Israel.

At the time of the announcement Begin told family members of the released men in Israel that "there were grounds to believe that the Soviet Union will release all the prisoners of Zion and let them come to Israel."

Ceaucescu, Sadat discuss M.E. crisis

ISMAILIA, Egypt, April 25 (Agencies) — Romanian President Nicolai Ceaucescu and President Anwar Sadat met for 90 minutes Wednesday to discuss the Middle East situation and bilateral relations.

He was to fly home later in the day from a tour of Arab and African nations during which he called for establishment of a Palestinian state.

Ceaucescu stopped in this Suez Canal city after being greeted at Abu Sawir Military Base, 20 kilometers away, by Sadat, Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil and other officials.

The talks were held in Sadat's villa here after the two men rode in an open car from the military base.

The talks were reportedly centered on Middle East developments following the signing of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty. In addition, Ceaucescu was to have briefed Sadat on the results of his trip, including his remarks on the Palestine situation at a reception in Khartoum.

Austria's asylum to Shah denied

VIENNA, April 25 (R) — The Austrian chancellor's office has denied reports that Chancellor Bruno Kreisky had offered the Shah of Iran political asylum. The chancellor told a West German women's magazine that Austria traditionally granted asylum to refugees and that the Shah was "in the truest sense of the word a political refugee, whether you like him or not."

Israeli gets 10-year sentence

JERUSALEM, April 25 (AP) — A Jerusalem district sentenced an Israeli to ten years' imprisonment Wednesday for smuggling drugs, explosives and weapons into Israel for a Palestinian commando group.

New tremor shakes Israel

TEL AVIV, April 25 (AP) — An earthquake shook Israel for the second time in three days Wednesday morning, but there were no reports of injuries or damage.

Six arrested in London scuffles

LONDON, April 25 (R) — Police Tuesday arrested six persons when scuffles broke out during an Armenian demonstration outside the Turkish embassy here.

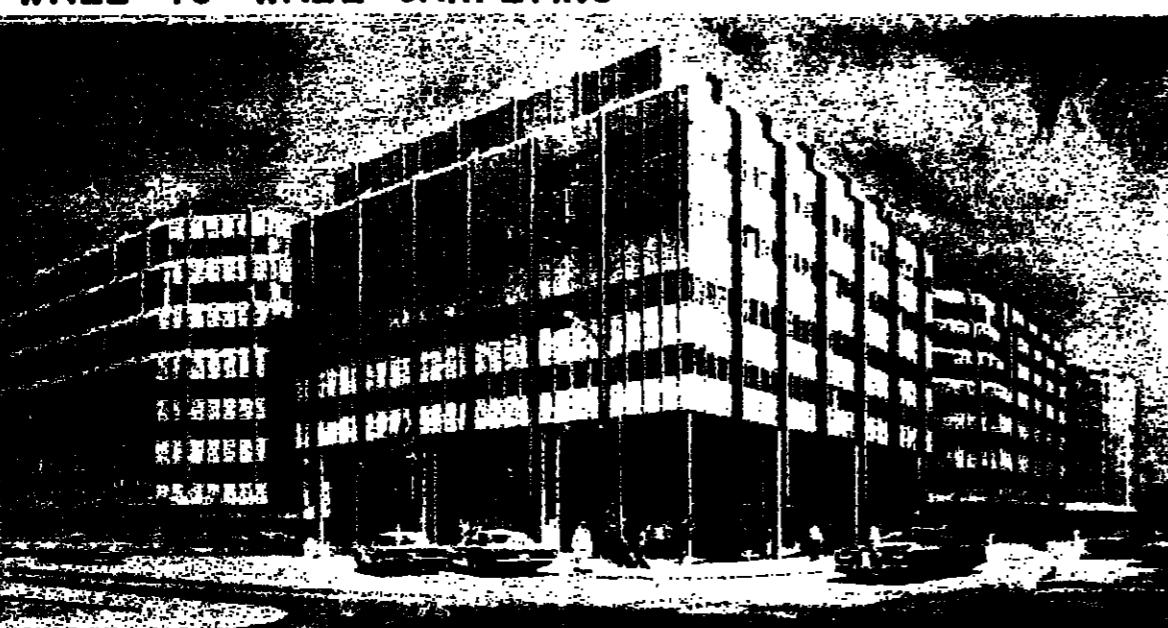
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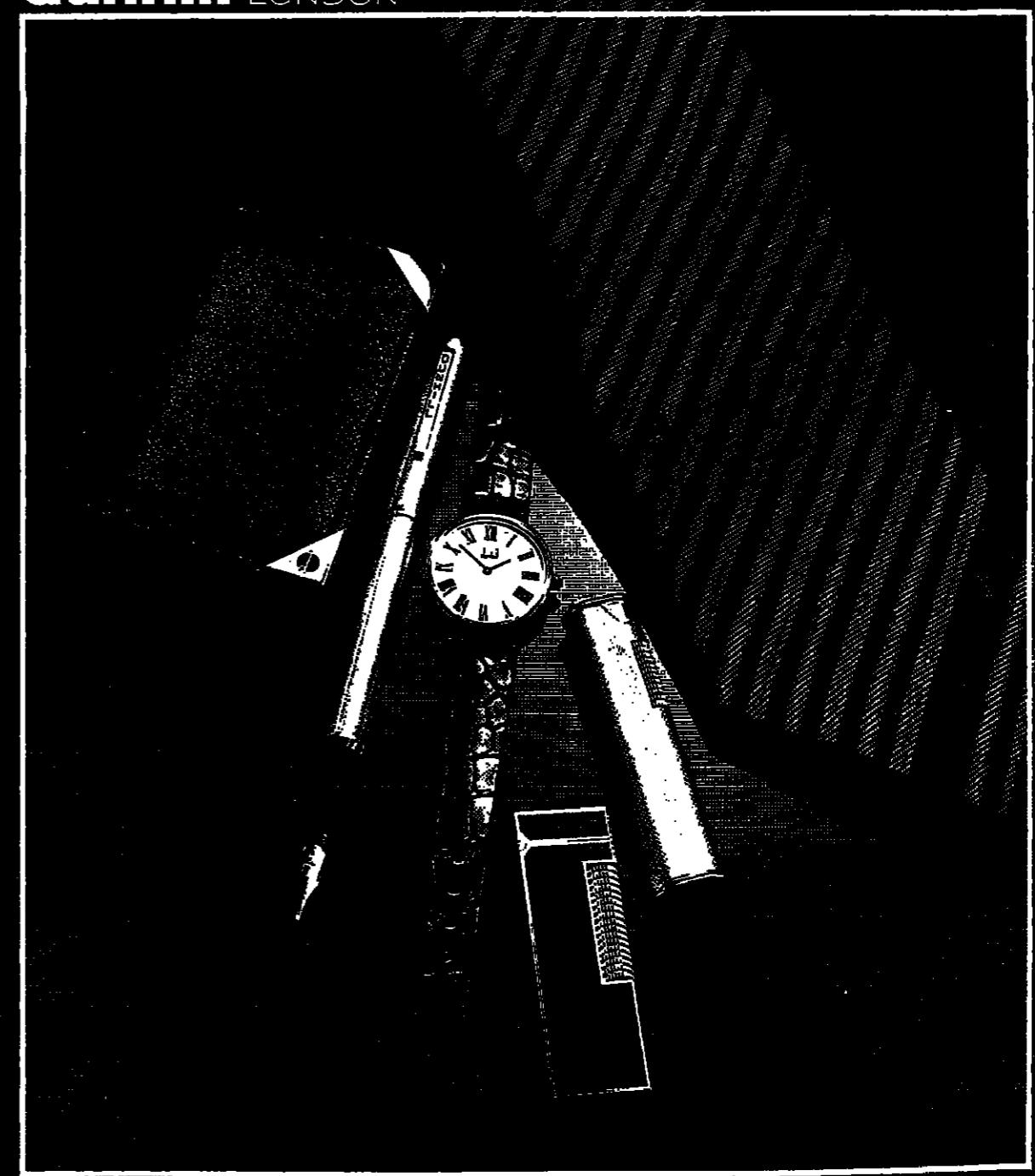
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Rejects criticism**U.S. can monitor SALT, Carter says**

NEW YORK, April 25 (R) — President Jimmy Carter told opponents of a new strategic arms limitation treaty Wednesday that had the ability to detect any Soviet cheating in time to protect its security.

He also warned that rejection of the almost-completed SALT II treaty strengthen hard-liners in the Soviet leadership in their resolve to create new international tensions.

Carter, who plans to meet Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev soon after the treaty is concluded, flatly rejected claims by Senate critics that the United States would not be able to verify Soviet performance in limiting nuclear arms.

In a speech to the American Newspaper Publishers Association, he said the loss of observation posts in Iran near the Soviet border was a matter of concern but did not affect the ability of the U.S. to detect cheating.

The president, who was flying to New Hampshire later in the day to test the political climate in advance of his expected bid for re-election next year, also resisted demands that SALT be linked with a promise of good behavior by the Russians in other areas.

He said a new SALT treaty was vital on its own merits because "the possibility of mutual annihilation makes a strategy of peace the only rational choice for both sides."

The president followed Secretary of Defense Harold Brown and National Security Adviser Zbigniew

Kissinger who recently opened a strong administration drive for public acceptance of a new SALT treaty and eventual ratification by the Senate.

On the issue of verification, Carter gave an extensive account of methods the United States has used to observe Soviet performance under SALT I signed in 1972 and plans to use to make sure that there are no violations of SALT II.

Without disclosing secret information, he said satellite reconnaissance and other methods made it possible to detect not only the building of Soviet

strategic systems but also precisely what they could do.

The president said that the monitoring capability lost in Iran related principally to a portion of the modernization program for intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBMs).

"The sensitive intelligence techniques cannot be disclosed in public, but the bottom line is that if there is an effort to cheat on the SALT agreement — including the limits on modernizing ICBMs — we will detect it, and we will do so in time fully to protect our security," he said.



President Carter

NATO officials discuss Soviet deployment of medium missiles

HOMESTEAD AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. April 25 (R) — NATO nuclear planners Wednesday discussed what was described as the mushroom-like development of Soviet intermediate range ballistic missiles (IRBM) aimed at Western Europe.

Deployment in East Germany of a new breed of short-range Soviet battlefield missiles known as the SS-21 was one of the concerns under study by eight defense ministers, holding the latest in a series of periodic closed meetings of the alliance's nuclear planning group.

NATO sources said they were

not surprised at the presence but expected to wind up this week but there were signs in Washington that the discussions now might drag on into next week. Completion of SALT II will set the stage for a summit next month between President Jimmy Carter and Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev.

"NATO is becoming extremely threat-conscious with the IRBM's, which seem to be growing like mushrooms in the Soviet Union," one NATO source said.

U.S. Defense Secretary Harold Brown led a discussion Wednesday of possible ways of countering the Soviet threat against Western Europe, including the possibility of extending the range of a new Pershing battlefield nuclear missile and perfecting a family of Cruise missiles that could be air, sea or ground launched.

NATO sources said the defense ministers would reach no decisions at the meeting, which ends Thursday night, but would discuss options for consideration by a high-level NATO group next month.

In talking about the SS-21, the sources said they had expected the Soviet Union to field the 120-kilometer range missile in East Germany.

During the meeting, Brown

planned to bring the other ministers up to date on U.S.-Soviet negotiations on a new strategic arms limitation treaty, SALT II.

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expected to wind up this week but there were signs in Washington that the discussions now might drag on into next week. Completion of SALT II will set the stage for a summit next month between President Jimmy Carter and Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev.

Hann said Tuesday the allegation was made Monday during a conversation between the Soviet Foreign Ministry and U.S. Embassy officials who were protesting the reported harassment of U.S. News and World report correspondent Robin Knight and his wife during a trip to the same area.

An Embassy spokesman con-

firmed the issue was raised during a conversation about Knight, who claimed he was drugged and attacked.

Waldheim, Hanoi leaders may view Indochina war

KUALA LUMPUR, April 25 (R) — The sharp, bloody border war between Vietnam and China and prospects for a conference on Indochina were expected to be high on the agenda when United Nations Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim holds talks in Hanoi this week.

The same topics were certain to be discussed in Peking which Waldheim is due to visit next Sunday during his current tour of 10 Asian countries.

Waldheim was scheduled to arrive in the Vietnamese capital aboard a special plane Wednesday for a three-day visit.

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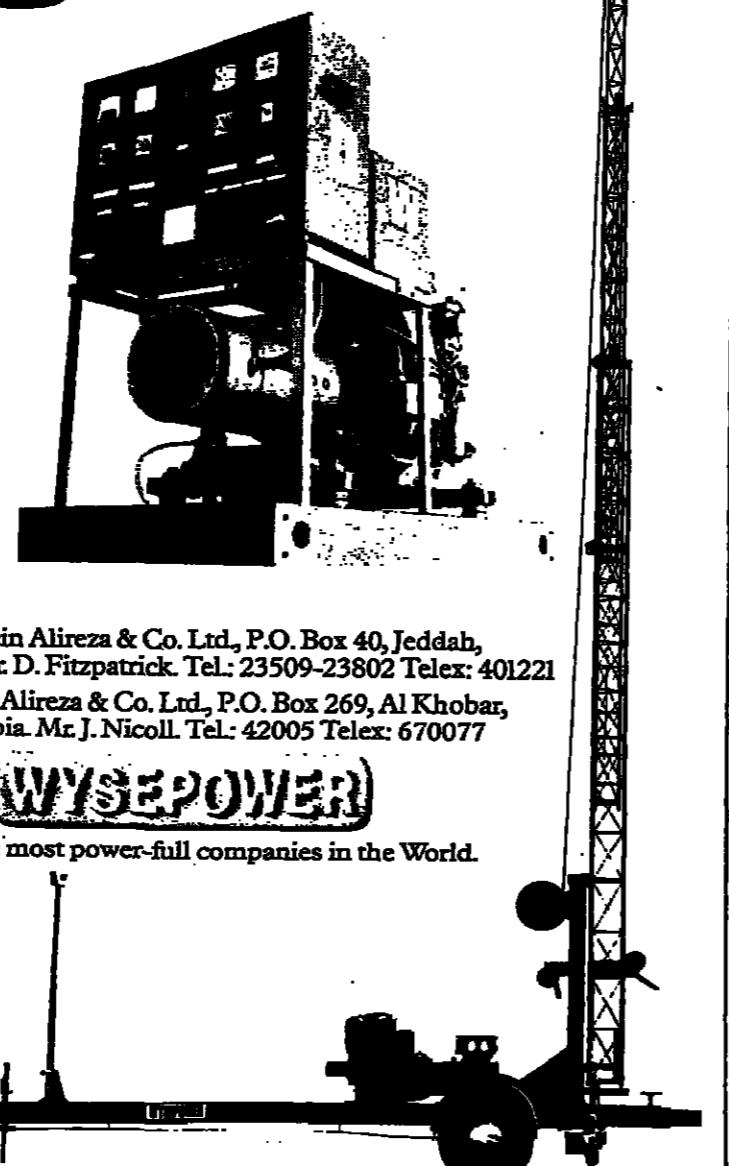
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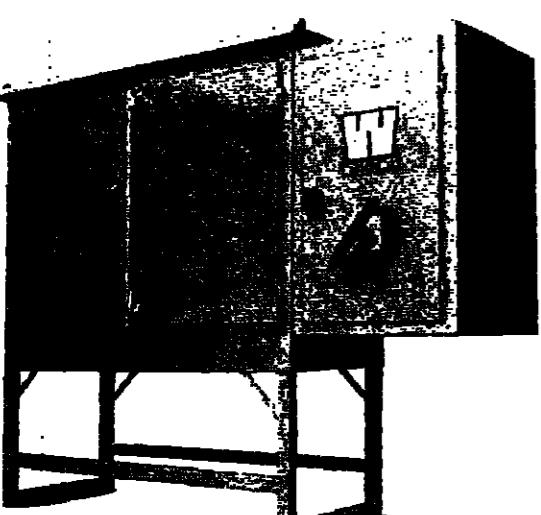
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NDON, April 25 (AP) — Thatcher's hopes of winning Britain's first woman minister in the May 3 general election dimmed Wednesday as polls showed her Conservative Party's lead over Labour dwindling.

Two polls, published in two daily Conservative newspapers, showed that Prime Minister Callaghan is more popular than the 53-year-old Mrs. Thatcher with the 40 million voters.

th only eight days to go, a *Net* and Opinion Research national poll in the "Daily Express" said the Tory lead has dropped dramatically from 12 per cent last week to only six.

poll, completed Monday, the Tories 46 per cent, Labour and the Liberals 11. A Mori March 30 gave the Conservative a nine per cent margin.

near-identical Gallup Poll in "Daily Telegraph" put the lead at five per cent, half-down on a Gallup survey a week ago.

poll, conducted April 1, gave the Conservatives a per cent lead in mid-March.

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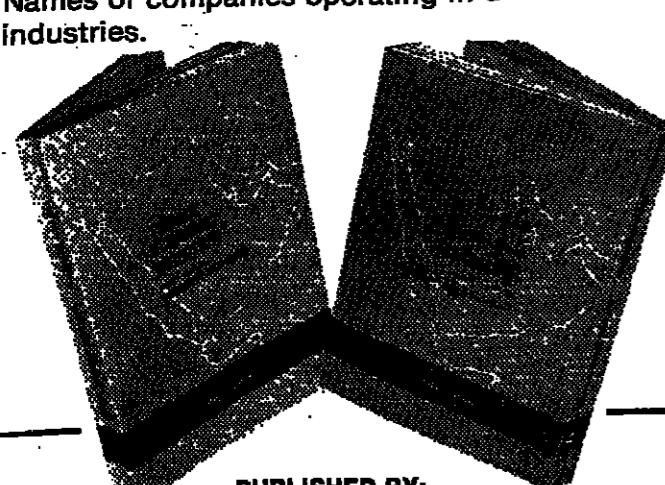
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Margaret Thatcher

Both of Wednesday's polls appear to support an opinion survey published over the weekend, which indicated Labor is narrowing the gap.

But the papers noted that if the Conservatives can hold their lead, Mrs. Thatcher would still occupy 10 Downing Street next month with a comfortable overall majority in the 635-member House of Commons of around 12.

Another Conservative tabloid, the "Daily Mail," softened the blow by reporting that a National Opinion Poll of 13 key marginal districts gave the Tories a 10 per cent lead in those areas — 50.3 per cent to 40.3 per cent for Labor.

"Barring a seismic change in the voters' mood in the next eight days, the Tories can expect to form a government ... with a majority of at least 30-plus," the "Mail" commented.

The "Daily Express" attributed "Sunny Jim" Callaghan's personal popularity to his avuncular Conservative approach.

It said Callaghan's low-key "let's keep a good thing going" campaign is paying dividends whereas the new and radical challenge offered by Mrs. Thatcher

seems ... to worry the voters."

The "Express" Mori poll said

Mrs. Thatcher's personal popularity has fallen from 37 per cent last week to 33 per cent. Callaghan increased his lead from 45 per cent last week to 46.

Callaghan's standing appeared to be a major triumph. His style on the stump has been considerably cramped by a hefty bodyguard of armed Special Branch agents in a tight security operation.

East End violence feared

Students stop National Front meeting

PLYMOUTH, England April 25 (AP) — The anti-immigrant National Front, whose rallies in Britain's election campaign have led to riots, one death, scores of injuries and hundreds of arrests, was unable Tuesday night to hold a rally here.

Hours before the meeting was to be held, some 150 students in this West England town crammed into the tiny, 60-seat schoolroom the Front had hired. When the Front supporters arrived there was no room for them and one rally was called off.

Scores of police surrounded the hall as rival factions shouted and jeered at each other outside. There were minor scuffles and one arrest.

Sir David McNee, London's police commissioner, mobilized a 4,000-man force Wednesday to guard a meeting by the Front in the East End, long a racial flash-point.

The move, with reinforcements on standby in surrounding coun-

ties, was aimed at preventing a repetition of bloody clashes between police and demonstrators Monday. One demonstrator was killed and 70 other people, 21 of them police officers, were injured in five hours of fighting in London's Southwark, a predominantly Asian immigrant neighborhood.

Police said 340 demonstrators were arrested, including leftwing leader Tariq Ali, a prominent Marxist student activist in the 1960s.

Amid official fears that little can be done to alter the pattern of confrontation that has developed in the last year, maverick conservative Enoch Powell, a longtime campaigner against non-white immigration, warned "civil war is

Exiles cheer Kampala regime

NAIROBI, April 25 (R) — Thousands of Ugandan exiles from the rule of Idi Amin gave an emotional welcome to the foreign minister of the new Kampala government when he told them, "your country is liberated."

"Never again shall any Ugandan be allowed to be a refugee." An estimated 20,000 Ugandans fled to Kenya during Amin's eight-year rule.

Some 3,000 of these, mostly professional and office workers, Tuesday came to the Nairobi Conference Center to listen to Foreign Minister Otema Alimadi.

To cheers and clapping he said, "as a matter of principle we want you to know that all of you have the right to return to your mother country."

Ministers of the Kampala government of President Yusufu Lule are in Nairobi for talks with their Kenyan counterparts on restoring trade and communications.

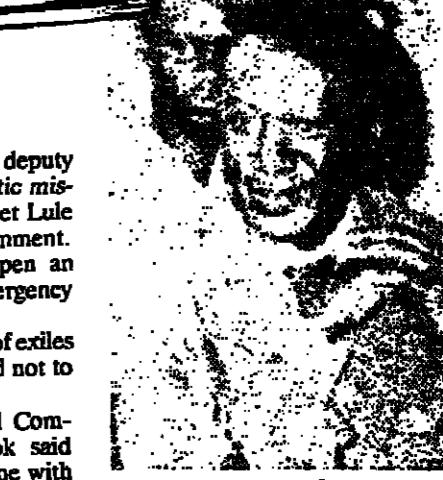
At the start of the talks Alimadi said, "we have an enormous task to reconstruct our country after eight years of misrule and destruction to life and property."

Kenya is landlocked Uganda's lifeline to the sea and the question of transporting badly-needed goods such as petrol, medicine and essential foodstuffs apparently figured in the talks. They continued Wednesday.

Tanzanian and Ugandan troops supporting the new government only control about half the country and are at present advancing to the north and east from Kampala.

Military sources in Kampala said one force was approaching the central air base of Nakasongola while another was pushing east from the town of Jinja towards the Kenyan border.

Jinja was taken on Sunday and although it forms a natural defense point astride the Nile there was little resistance from forces loyal to Amin. They seem to have disintegrated into small, marauding bands, terrorizing civilians.



Yusufu Lule

been living here with our hearts sunk. We are keen to start the reconstruction of Uganda not today but yesterday."

‘Times’ journalists agree to work on overseas issue

LONDON, April 25 (R) — Journalists have voted to work on a planned weekly overseas edition of the "Times," against the instructions of their union.

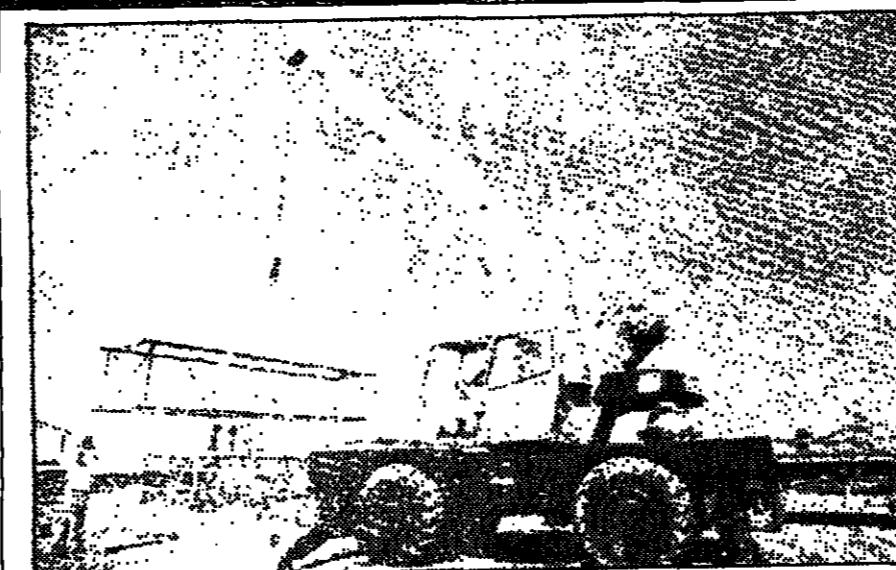
Jake Eccleston, leader of the "Times" Chapel of the National Union of Journalists (NUJ) said Tuesday he was "extremely sorry" about the 101-93 vote.

"I think it will make negotiations more difficult," he said.

The "Times," Britain's oldest daily newspaper, has not been published since Nov. 30 because of a dispute over the introduction of new technology, which threatened the jobs of printers.

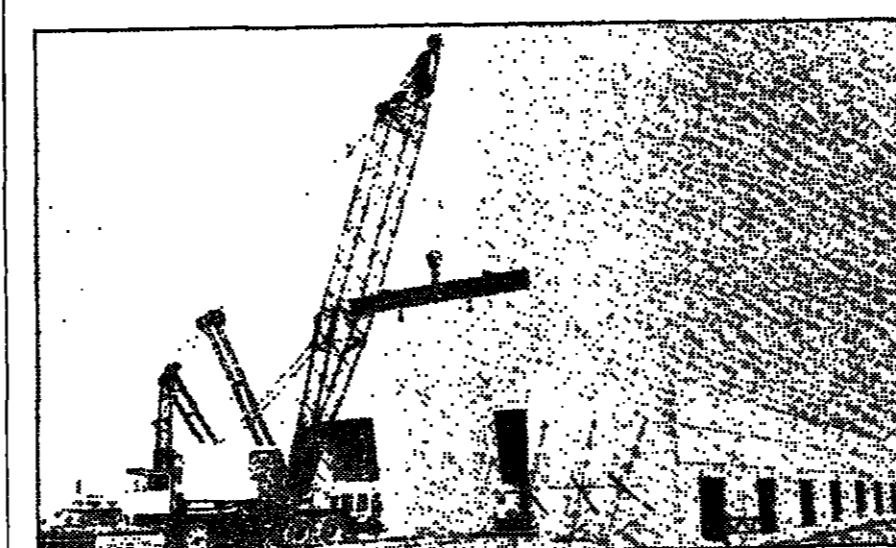
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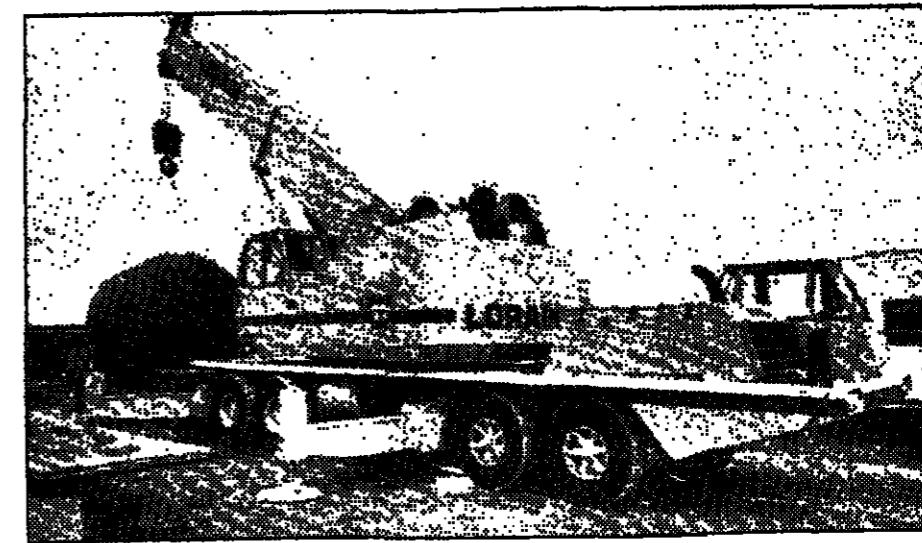
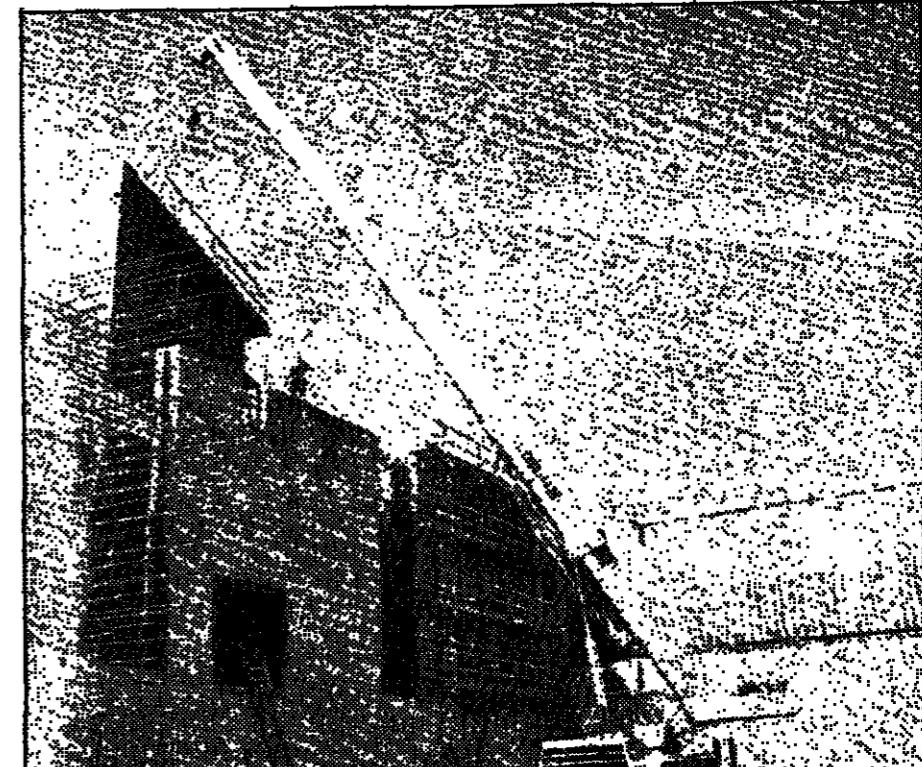


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CREEPING THREAT

Amid the violence and bloodshed that have become a way of life for Lebanon and the Lebanese, there is mounting evidence that the country is heading towards partition.

The idea of partitioning Lebanon on sectarian basis is not new. It was first raised after the country was granted independence from France in 1943, when the country's Christians looked to the West and its Muslims looked to the rest of the Arab world. But the wisdom and courage of the country's leadership at the time succeeded in allaying the fears of the country's political and religious minorities.

The lack of a similar calibre of leadership since independence revived the insecurities and complexes of the various groups and made the country's leadership hostage to these fears.

What is now taking place in Lebanon is a manifestation of the wresting of state authority by the mob — and the proclamation of a "Free Lebanon" in the south by Lebanese army renegade Major Saad Haddad is so far the height of this lawlessness.

But to assume that the move is the final act would be a grave mistake. The reaction to Saad Haddad by the central government was pathetic at best, and again proved the government's lack of courage. But the greater source of worry is the international attitude to Haddad's proclamation, and its endorsement in Beirut by National Liberal Party leader Camille Chamoun. Israel, like Chamoun, expectedly supported the move though it stopped short of outright recognition. But the silence of Europe and the U.S. over the secession is alarming because the move could develop into a trend that may spread to other parts of Lebanon, and indeed to other Arab countries. This would satisfy a live Israeli dream to create mini-states in the region — states that would be too feeble to threaten its long-term objective of 'greater Israel.'

The Haddad secession might appear too insignificant on its own, but it could prove to be the catalyst that sets off a regional reaction, and unless it receives the treatment it merits, it could produce extremely unpleasant surprises.

The Arab world cannot afford to remain oblivious to the development because the Israeli dream, as outlined by a number of Zionist ideologues, does not confine itself to Lebanon.

The Lebanese authorities have forfeited their responsibilities, but the majority of the Lebanese people, despite their helplessness, have not and they look to the Arab world to help them and help itself in the process.

In the past few years, the Arabs have amassed formidable political muscle and it is inconceivable that this might and leverage cannot contain the Lebanese fire.

Observers agree that the gap between the three parties to the Sahara conflict is narrowing according to "Al-Bilad".

There is evidence now of a tangible rapprochement that did not exist before. The three parties seem anxious to prevent the dispute from leading to a full-scale confrontation, and seem convinced of employing peaceful means to settling it.

The first sign of such a possibility was made by Mauritania, the party that was most adversely affected by the quarrel over the former Spanish Sahara. Mauritania made it clear that it could not go on bearing the burden of such a costly struggle at the expense of national development.

It was reported this week that a high-level Algerian delegation visited Nouakchott to discuss the dispute in the first such attempt to hold direct talk.

Welcoming this visit, the paper

said: "It is a positive indicator of the way things might go as it also shows the attitude of the new Algerian government following the death of President Houari Boumedienne. The three countries may have come to the conclusion that the desert dispute is an explosive element that is upsetting their development plans; that continued confrontation and military engagements might force the states involved to seek foreign allies among the big powers which are aspiring to find footholds in that region of the continent, and that the desert problem is a major distraction as far as the national Arab issue is concerned.

It seems possible that the visit to Morocco of the French foreign minister and the Moroccan King's visit to France helped matters considerably. France played a conciliatory role with Algeria towards modus vivendi which is advantageous for the three countries

involved and for the Arabs as a whole."

Now that Idi Amin has been overthrown through the Tanzanian military invasion, it may be instructive to review the situation before and after his assumption of power in Uganda. "Al-Jazirah" said:

"Amin tried hard to achieve economic freedom in addition to the political freedom that his predecessor had wrested from the British colonialists. He liberated the Ugandan economy from the shackles of Asian control and forced the Asians to go to Britain, where they belonged. This action intensely infuriated the British government. Then he enraged the British, the Americans and Europe by his religious principles.

Before him, Uganda was a missionary base, a springboard for Christian preachers and a sanctuary from which to attack southern

Sudan and assist the rebels against the Khartoum government. Amin ended all that and began to turn Uganda into an Islamic state while ending all ties with the Israelis who had enjoyed special privileges under Milton Obote.

Zionist Christians, and colonialists colluded to bring him down and gave the mission to the president of Tanzania, who is a former bishop. The man had some experience in slaughtering Muslims in Zanzibar and seems to have made use of this ability in Uganda."

According to "Al-Riyad" the Israelis in southern Lebanon are intent on carrying out the second phase of their hegemony theory in the region."

The paper called on the U.N. Security Council to assume its responsibilities by saving the peace in the area and activate UNFIL and make it a fighting

Chinese posters

By Jay Mathews

Three weeks ago, wallposters and cartoons criticizing local government actions covered Canton's "Democracy Wall" along a busy shopping avenue. Now the wall is empty, except for a freshly painted notice: "Post no bills, by order of city public security."

A nationwide damper on free expression, which has limited pro-democracy wallposters to certain areas in Peking, has almost completely eliminated them from other major Chinese cities such as this huge southern port and the major industrial center of Wuhan. Posters also disappeared overnight on April 5 from the downtown area of Chongqing in the southwest, and notices with that date are now everywhere in Canton warning against voicing "opposition to socialism."

As police arrest some vehement government critics in Peking, while letting critical posters stay up in other cities like Kunming in the far southwest, the Communist Party's crackdown against a five-month-old democracy movement proceeds by fits and starts. Everywhere, however, it appears to have dampened Chinese interest in talk about political subjects and re-established the sort of personal paranoia many Chinese had claimed was washing away by the outpouring of democratic sentiment last November.

"I just don't want to talk about Chairman Mao," said one worker, with a nervous smile, after striking up a conversation with a foreign visitor on a street in Kunming. "And, please don't tell anyone we were talking to me."

In Kunming, like some outlying parts of Chongqing and along Peking's now-famous "Democracy Wall," wallposters are still tolerated. But in local newspaper articles, and in public notices in Kunming and Canton, stern warnings about public expression have created an unease about contacts with foreigners that, justified or not, is having a considerable effect on Westerners who meet ordinary Chinese.

A group of students who took American visitors on an impromptu tour of the Kunming zoo earlier this month suddenly became agitated and anxious to leave when they spotted a Chinese man with a camera. Later, the Americans talked to the man, who said he was only a worker from another city, in Kunming on a sightseeing trip.

The new crackdown is soft and insubstantial compared to China's last great turn against dissent — the aftermath of the "Hundred Flowers" campaign of 1957. Then thousands of intellectuals and local leaders were to labor camps because they responded too enthusiastically to Chairman Mao's call for criticism of government policies. Today's stifled wallposter authors and the dissidents recently apprehended in Peking are mostly young people or long-time unemployed. Older intellectuals who spoke out in the 1950s are apparently content now to concentrate on their work in what remains the relatively relaxed official atmosphere of the post-Mao era.

In some areas visited during the past three weeks, however, the crackdown has apparently been harsh enough to frighten people and made them wonder how much farther it might go. The new restrictions here appear to be designed in part to discourage local residents who might try to catch the attention of thousands of foreigners beginning to come in for the semi-annual export commodities fair.

On nearly every Canton block, a freshly printed notice dated April 5 has appeared, with 10 separate warnings against disruptive demonstrations, scolding of public officials and other acts that have occurred in several parts of China in recent weeks. The notice's third warning says: "Wallposters that oppose socialism, the dictatorship of the proletariat, the leadership of the Communist Party, Marxism, Leninism, Mao Tse-tung thought, or which betray national secrets or violate the constitution and the law...are not permitted."

April 5 is, ironically, the anniversary of a great spontaneous, anti-government demonstration in Peking's Tienanmen Square in 1976. It was suppressed, and then declared a revolutionary event last November, signaling the beginning of relaxed restrictions on the pro-democracy wallposter campaign.

On March 30, a long wall across from Canton's Nanfang department store and next to a major bus stop was covered with posters. The poster writers had labelled the spot "Canton's Democracy Wall" in large characters. Many of the posters complained about discipline that some members of the city's travel service office had suffered in 1977 for a poster they put up three years earlier. The next day, all the posters were gone, and no others could be found in a trip through the city's main streets.

Posters put up later along Canton's Peking Road, protesting the two-year imprisonment of one man apparently involved in the same obscure bureaucratic dispute, were also gone.

In Wuhan, the capital of Hubei province, and central China's major industrial city, citizens questioned on the streets said a popular wallposter wall along the central shopping street, Zhongshanlu, had been stripped of posters. A group of youths loitering on a street corner told an American visitor that the posters were removed in late March by the Public Security Bureau, what the Chinese call their local police.

Wuhan for several months has had a vigorous wallposter campaign. City residents have called for freedom of assembly so they may discuss changes in the constitution and for the reversal of verdicts against the victims of past purges in the city.

"Did you think the wallposters were good or bad?" one of the youths was asked.

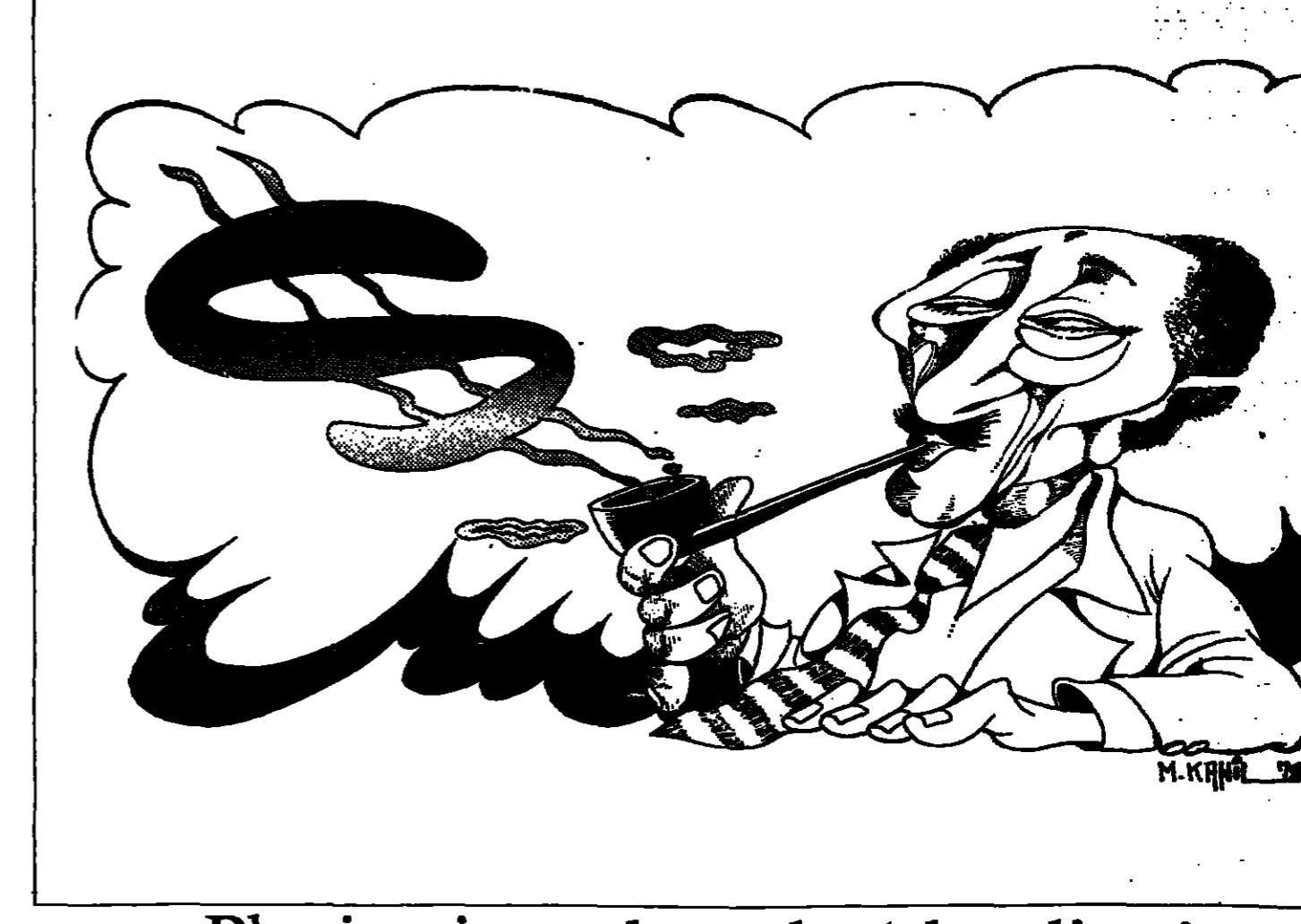
"Well, that means do I think democracy is good or bad, and I'm not really clear on that," he said.

A tour of other major Wuhan shopping areas turned up only one small, one-page poster. It was unsigned and undated, written by a rural worker from a landlord family who asked that official persecution of people with unfavorable class backgrounds be ended so that he could marry and lead a normal life.

In Chongqing, a number of wallposters and underground newspapers that had been pasted on walls near the Chongqing department store and the liberation monument were washed off the walls April 5 by two men using a water hose and a scrub brush. Also removed were a parent's appeal for help in finding a missing 3-year-old girl, and a poster criticizing the egotism of poster writers. However, wallposters at a major bus terminal, near Datian Bay stadium on the outskirts of downtown were still on display early the morning of April 6.

A local official, asked about the poster removal, said: "There are no restrictions on posters. We just have to keep the city looking clean."

In Peking, authorities have washed away all wallposters on the city's main shopping avenue, Wangfujing Street, but left up hundreds of posters on "Democracy Wall" on the Avenue of Eternal Peace near Xidan Avenue. (WP)



Playing it cool on the 'hot line'

By Shyam Bharia

CAIRO,

The hot line between Cairo and Jerusalem buzzed for the first time as President Sadat sat relaxing after morning prayers at his Nile rest house outside the Egyptian capital.

The caller was Israeli Prime Minister Begin, who wished to offer his congratulations on the Egyptian People's Assembly ratification of the peace treaty. Israel's air raids on Palestinian bases in South Lebanon were not discussed during the six-minute conversation, in which the two leaders exchanged pleasantries and made general observations about the implementation of the peace treaty.

The raids on Lebanon have been all but forgotten in Cairo, where Egyptian officials say they are concentrating on issues of more direct bilateral concern between themselves and Israel. Returning Sinai and its oil fields to Egyptian control is Cairo's most important objective. Other issues, like Palestinian autonomy and Israeli attacks on Lebanon are also important, but for the moment less so.

The foreign ministry in Cairo prefers to ignore the contradiction between its apparent interest in only bilateral issues and its declared policy of seeking a comprehensive settlement of the Arab-Israeli dispute which, of course, includes the Palestinian problem.

We know the Israeli phobia toward the Palestinians," said a top Egyptian Foreign Ministry official. "But we also understand that changing their basic attitudes is part of a long-term process." He said that lashing out at the Israelis in retaliation for their raids or breaking off discussions with them was part of a strategy that had not worked in the past.

The new strategy is first to honor the commitments of the peace treaty and then to bring maximum international pressure to bear on Israel so that it yields ground on Palestine. — (OFNS)

Rhodesia craving international recognition

By William Nicholson

JOHANNESBURG —

Rhodesia's black majority rule is a historic event, but its significance varies depending on one's point of view.

For a white Rhodesian, one of 230,000 whites in a country with some 7 million blacks, last week's five-day poll signalled the curtain for 90 years of white domination.

Most Western governments, the United States included, regarded the election was one more slick maneuver by whites to remain in power, behind a facade of black token politicians. Black nationalist guerrillas, feel the same way.

The truth is somewhere in between.

Rhodesia was a British colony in Africa. When Britain began granting independence to its former colonies in the late 1950s, the white leadership in Rhodesia objected.

Whites, using African labor, had made Rhodesia a prosperous community which exported goods such as tobacco, beef, chrome, gold and other minerals and farm products to the rest of Africa and the world. White politicians, led by Prime Minister Ian Smith, a World War Two fighter pilot in the Royal Air Force, were not about to turn over their good life to the black majority.

The age of colonialism had passed and Britain, handing over power to blacks in other former colonies, was angered when Smith unilaterally declared independence in 1965.

Economic and military sanctions followed by Britain and other world nations but the breakaway British colony survived, even flourishing for years, because of its friend to the immediate south, South Africa. The South Africans acted as the vital conduit for exports and imports.

Nevertheless, black Rhodesian nationalists, pledged to end white rule, joined the ranks of Rhodesian guerrilla leaders Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe to fight the Smith regime.

The country's bloody guerrilla war began in earnest six years ago and has so far claimed nearly 16,000 lives on both sides.

Smith was hard-pressed to contain the guerrillas. Whites began "taking the gap," a Rhodesian term for emigrating. Finally, last March, the man who had vowed that blacks would not come to power "in a thousand years" signed an accord with black politicians inside Rhodesia that began the countdown for black majority rule.

That countdown came to a climax Tuesday when Bishop Abel Muzorewa became Zimbabwe Rhodesia's first black prime minister. Zimbabwe Rhodesia is the country's new name

A history of railroad and sea at Al-Wedjh

By Clare Kent

AL-WEDJH — This Red Sea port is situated about 450 miles north of Jeddah. It lies on the old pilgrim route from Egypt and Southern Jordan, and in the past, depended on the caravan trade of travellers to Mecca.

Today it is a quiet fishing port. The harbor is formed by a small rectangular sharm, or inlet. There is plenty of anchorage for small craft and dhows, but only one large ship could moor here at one time.

The town itself lies on the north of this sharm. There is still an attractive old quarter with stone and coral block houses, painted wooden shutters and balconies, and carved, studded doors. It has the same air about it as a quaint old fishing village in Cornwall, England, or Brittany, France. Maybe it is the weather-worn light green and blue paint work against the sun bleached houses. Or perhaps the narrow, intriguing alleys with glimpses of the blue sea beyond. It could just be the smell of fish, the cry of sea-gulls and the constant presence of cats.

The main commercial activity is fishing. Small catches are brought in everyday by the fishermen of Al-Wedjh. The fish are weighed and sold in the souk.

Salt is also produced here by a process of evaporation from sea water. This salt is used mainly for salting fish as a preservative.

In the 1940s, the population of Al-Wedjh was estimated to be around 2,000. Today there are about 13,000 people living here. There is a modern quarter now, and a school, a power station and a desalination plant. Asphalt roads are spreading throughout the town and there is a new gas station.

The souk is small and has all the usual commodities for the everyday needs of the inhabitants. A number of Bedouins come here in trucks from the Hejaz mountains to get supplies by trading. When the British traveller Charles Doughty was in this area a century ago, he had companions in the mountains who took their camels down to Al-Wedjh to exchange them for rice. Doughty himself never visited Al-Wedjh because

the humid climate of the Tibana, the coastal area, made him sick.

He stayed resting in the mountains until the Bedouins returned with their sacks of rice which had come by sea from India.



An Indian army report written in 1915 describes Al-Wedjh as "a port on the Red Sea situated on a flat-topped hill. It has a fort built by the Egyptian government." It also says that the water supply was "limited" and came from a "30-foot deep well of tepid,

brackish water." It also mentions "a poorly stocked bazaar but some forage is procurable."

Al-Wedjh became a place of importance soon after this time, however. In January 1917, the Turkish Garrison here was captured. The Governor and his camel-mounted guards escaped over the mountains to the Hejaz railway. The 200 Turkish infantry left behind to defend the place were soon subdued by naval gunfire from a British ship, and a landing party of British and Arabs moved in. Soon they were reinforced by a large force of Arab troops and tribesmen under Amir Faisal and accompanied by T.E. Lawrence. This force had come by camel up the coast from Yanbu, but had been delayed by shortage of water.

The capture of Al-Wedjh from the Turks has been noted as the "turning point for good in the evolution of the Arab Revolt." It meant that a whole length of the Hejaz railway from Al-Ula to Medina was exposed, and the railway was the lifeline of the Turkish Garrison holding Medina. Lawrence used Al-Wedjh as a base from which to attack the railway.

The Turks, realizing their vulnerability, sent enormous numbers of troops to guard the railway. But Lawrence had a "remarkable talent for guerrilla warfare." He took raiding parties across desert and mountain to dynamite the railway. The Turkish

troops in Medina were immobilized and eventually had to surrender Medina to the Arabs.

Today it is possible to cross the mountains from the old railway to Al-Wedjh. There are many tracks, and an asphalt road is planned for the near future. But the best approach to Al-Wedjh now is from the south via Yanbu. There is an asphalt road between Al-Wedjh and Umlaj. Between Umlaj and Yanbu, the road is still being built and has alternate stretches of asphalt and sand, but it should be finished soon.

There are also flights from Jeddah, Medina and Riyadh.



Al-Wedjh

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A potpourri of events and activities from around the Kingdom.

JEDDAH

Friday, April 27

Red Sea Sailing Association Spring Regatta. Open to non-members. Racing starts at 11:45 a.m. At RSSA club house, Obhur creek. Information from Peter Taylor, tel. 58742.

Saturday, April 28

Hejaz Choral Society meeting. At the PCS, Room 5, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 29

Jeddah Squash League. Team Captains meeting. Anyone interested in entering a team for the Summer League is also invited to attend. 8 p.m. at the Taylor villa. Information and directions to villa from Anne Taylor, tel. 22124.

Tuesday, May 1

Garden Club meeting 1:30 p.m. at the villa of Mrs. Vivian Argust. Lockheed compound K, near Sands Hotel, House no. 7.

Wednesday, May 2

Jeddah Players general membership meeting, 8 p.m. at the Players Playhouse. All members and others interested are welcome to attend.

RIYADH

Thursday, April 26

A tax seminar for U.S. workers will be given by an IRS representative. At the U.S. Military Training Mission on Airport Road, 10 a.m. The IRS representative will be available for private consultations on a drop-in basis at the U.S. Embassy Liaison Office, during normal working hours, until May 1.

Friday, April 27

A "Fun Run," sponsored by the Riyadh Runners. Three and 10 kilometer races will be held. Races start at the usual location at 7:30 a.m. Certificates for all finishers.

Friday, April 28

Riyadh Recreation Association's Spring Carnival. At the Riyadh Stables, 2 p.m. — 6 p.m. Admission SR 5.

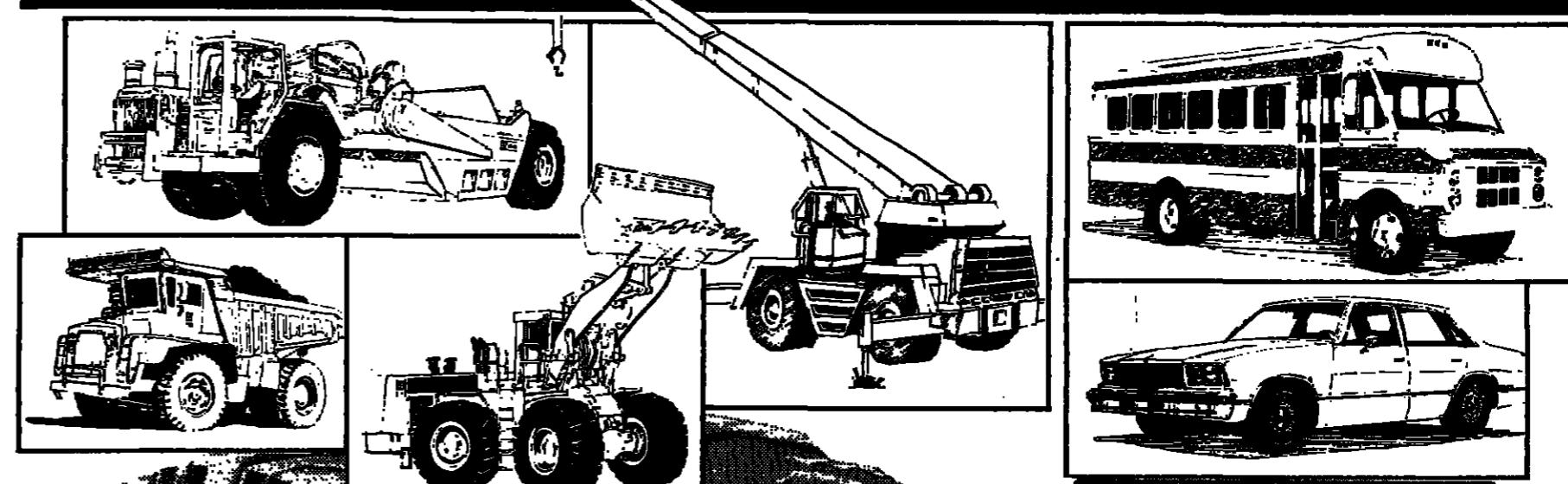
Thursday, May 10

A Spring Bazaar, with proceeds going toward the Save the Children Fund (Yemen). At the Minter residence. Offers of help and good items for sale will be gratefully received. Details, telephone Mrs. Minter at 69781 after 1:30 p.m. or Mrs. Ingrams at either 4780348 or 4650448.

Tuesday, May 15

A IRS representative will be available to U.S. workers for private tax consultation on a drop-in basis. At the U.S. Consulate in Dhahran normal working hours.

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Fishermen of Al-Wedjh cleaning the day's catch

Year of the Child

The grandfather of UNICEF

By Don Shannon

UNITED NATIONS — As "grandfather" to the world's needy children, Henry Labouisse is worried that despite everything he and his organization try to do, malnutrition and illiteracy maintain their hold on the young in the developing world.

Labouisse, 75, has headed the U.N. Children's Fund since 1965, nearly half the life of the agency that was launched to provide temporary relief in war-devastated areas of Europe and Japan.

In the 1950s, the U.N. General Assembly gave UNICEF a permanent mandate aimed at bettering the lives of children in the developing world.

"The developing countries are fighting to keep up with their increase in population," Labouisse said in an interview. "But they can't cut the backlog, the areas where health care and education barely exist."

Unlike most other arms of the United Nations, UNICEF is funded by voluntary contributions from member governments, rather than assessments, and by gifts from the public and receipts from the sale of greeting cards. A highly publicized new source of funds has been royalties from records and television broadcasts for events such as the "gift of song" concert staged in the General Assembly hall Jan. 9 by the Bee Gees, Olivia Newton-John, John Denver, Rod Stewart, Andy Gibb and other entertainers.

Privately, officials of the agency were somewhat concerned that estimates of the earnings from this year's concert and related sales were set as high as \$100 million by show business spokesmen. The officials, who said a more realistic estimate would be \$4 million to \$5 million over the next two years, expressed concern that such inflated figures might lead to a cut in government and public contributions.

Labouisse said he prefers that UNICEF earn its way rather than depend on budget allocations. When he left his post as U.S. Ambassador to Greece nine years ago to come here, the budget was only \$35 million. Last year, contributions totaled \$211 million.

He said he was pleased to report that despite inflation and a shrinking dollar, UNICEF has been able to stretch its funds to the maximum by resisting bureaucratic growth.

At 1,200 employees, the payroll is among the smallest of the specialized U.N. agencies. Rather than paying experts to sit around headquarters until a project requires their skills, Labouisse, like his predecessors, prefers to recruit specialists when the need arises and hire them only for the life of the project.

UNICEF also has emphasized the training of local personnel to avoid paying the extra expense of foreign technicians to instill local responsibility. The agency also tries to supply models of simple equipment for duplication from local materials or with minimum imported materials.

"We're even turning more to the 'barefoot doctor' or paramedic now instead of trying to find the money to hire or train fully qualified doctors in developing countries," Labouisse said. "We didn't invent the idea, but we are coming to the conclusion that even if a paramedic can't handle one in 10 cases, the other nine are getting medical care they never had before."

If there has been a big change in the agency during his tenure, the director said it has been a move toward "cross-sectional" projects and away from "sectoral" ones. While early campaigns aimed at such specific goals as eradicating yaws or trachoma, the more typical project now is provision of safe water for villages in India, Pakistan and Bangladesh to attack the high infant mortality rates there.

Labouisse said he was not alerting the U.N. Population Fund to prepare a crash birth control program in case the water cleanup dramatically decreases infant deaths. Rather, he said, he adheres to the philosophy that better health, nutrition and education will to a decline in births.

How hardened does one become after 15 years of observing the children of the really poor nations at close hand?

Despite his 75 years, Labouisse is not ready for retirement, and Secretary General Kurt Waldheim has asked him to stay an extra two years to provide unbroken leadership for the Year of the Child.

"I couldn't imagine not doing anything," Labouisse said. "When I do leave, I hope to remain available as a consultant or as a volunteer worker. Maybe I could do a little more swimming than I get time for now." — (LAT)

البنك السعودي البريطاني

(Saudi Joint Stock Company)

Capital SR100,000,000 (authorised and fully paid)
Commercial Registration 16511 Jeddah

Report of the Board of Directors

The Directors have pleasure in submitting the Balance Sheet of the Bank as at 2 Safar 1399 (31 December 1978), together with its Profit and Loss account for the half year ended on that date, and a report on the Bank's activities during its first six months of operation.

1. The Establishment of the Bank

In pursuance of the policy laid down by The Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency, The British Bank of the Middle East had for some time been in negotiation with the relevant authorities with a view to transforming their branch operations in the Kingdom into a Saudi Arabian Bank in which they would hold an acceptable proportion of the equity.

This process reached fruition during 1398/1978, and the establishment of The Saudi British Bank was authorized by Royal Decree M/4 of 12th Safar (21st January). The equity of SR 100,000,000 was to be held as to 60% by Saudi Citizens and the remaining 40% by The British Bank of the Middle East. The lead on the Saudi side was taken by 22 Founding Members of the Bank representing a wide range of Saudi interests. Invitations to apply for the remaining shares were issued, and their allocation was made and approved by the Constituent General Meeting on 29 Jumad al Awal (6 May). Permission to operate was granted by Ministerial Resolution No. 1927 of 22nd Jumad al Thani (29 May), and the new bank began operations on 26th Rajab (1st July).

2. Developments

Your Bank has, since it began operations, opened a branch in Riyadh, an additional branch in Jeddah (at Caravan Shopping Centre) and in Alkhobar (at the Al Gosaibi Hotel) and a branch at Jubail. A seasonal office was also opened at the

Pilgrims Centre at Jeddah International Airport.

Plans are well advanced for the establishment of further branches at Qatif and at Hufuf, and at other locations.

The establishment of the Bank has also called for the creation of a Head Office. This is at present situated in Jeddah but it is planned to move it to Riyadh. Apart from the normal administrative activities of a Head Office, the Bank has introduced a Merchant Banking Division enabling it to play a more positive role in medium term lending, which is so necessary for industrial development. It will also, it is hoped, play its part in the expansion of a capital market in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

3. The results for the half year ended 2 Safar 1399 (31 December 1978)

The assets and liabilities of the Bank total Saudi Riyal 2,781,218,866. Deposits stand at Saudi Riyal 1,499,526,064 and Loans and Advances at Saudi Riyal 1,062,975,250.

Documentary Letters of Credit, Letters of Guarantee and Acceptances outstanding amount to SR 782,314,998.

Profit and Loss Account

The Bank's income for the half-year amounts to Saudi Riyal 50,519,248, its expenditure to Saudi Riyal 34,459,356 leaving a net profit of Saudi Riyal 16,059,892.

The principal elements in these expenses relate to staffing and to rentals: they will obviously increase with the expansion of the Bank, but it is with a view to controlling this increase that investment is being made in fixed assets which will provide future office and staff accommodation.

After the transfer of 25% (SR 4,014,973) of profits to Statutory Reserve, as called for by Article 13 of the Banking Control Law, your Board proposes to make a transfer of SR 5,000,000 to General Reserve, and the remaining SR 7,000,000 it is proposed to distribute as a dividend of 7% for the half year (SR 7 per 100-Riyal Share) leaving the sum of SR 44,919 to be carried forward.

As Chairman, I should like to add a few words to the Report submitted to you by the Board of Directors.

The establishment of this new Saudi bank brings many benefits which a foreign bank operating in the country cannot provide.

It spreads the ownership of the equity very broadly across the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Its expanded capital base gives it wider scope for lending, and thus assisting national development. The combination of foreign expertise and local Saudi knowledge enriches its Board of Directors. It is able to continue and intensify the previous policy of training and advancing Saudi employees. It fits, in short, into the general pattern of development which is being encouraged in the Kingdom.

I should like to emphasize the Bank's sense of responsibility towards its depositors and customers, its correspondents and its employees. For its depositors, it continues to follow the prudent policies which guided its predecessor Bank. For its customers it aims at providing a broader range of services, at the same time improving those which already exist. It is particularly concerned with assisting the smaller businessman and its range of services is devised with the aim of

encouraging new enterprises to flourish and develop in line with the national development objectives.

For its Correspondents the Bank endeavours to provide a reliability of service on which efficient International banking relies, and its close knowledge and experience of business and economic conditions in Saudi Arabia is at the disposal of those International banks seeking to promote banking relationships within the Kingdom.

To its employees, who at the year end totalled 456, I wish to extend my appreciation for the part they have played in the demanding process of establishing the Bank, as well as for their loyalty and industry in the day to day business of the Bank. The Bank will, during the coming year, continue its programme aimed at recruiting suitable High School graduates, to whom it can offer broadly based training and the prospect of an interesting, worthwhile, and rewarding career. Our Bank is a developing one and its Management and staff are, I know, able to meet the challenge of the future, and in their vital role realise that they enjoy the support, encouragement and appreciation of the Board of Directors and the Shareholders of the Bank.

Suliman Saleh Olayan,
CHAIRMAN

Notice to Shareholders to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting.

The Board of Directors has the pleasure to invite the Bank's Shareholders to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting to be held on Saturday 23rd Jumada Thani 1399 (19th May 1979) at six o'clock p.m. at Jeddah Palace Hotel, Jeddah to consider the following Agenda:

(1) To approve the transfer of the Head Office of the Bank to Riyadh.

(2) To amend Article (4) of the Bank's Articles of Association to read as follows:

"The Head Office of the Company shall be at Riyadh. It may be transferred to any other place in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in accordance with a resolution approved at a General Meeting."

The Board of Directors of the Company may establish branches or agencies or subsidiaries in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and abroad and may appoint correspondents at such places in the Kingdom and abroad as may be necessary or convenient for conducting the operations of the Company, subject always to due observance of the relevant rules and regulations in force in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia."

(3) To increase the Bank's Share Capital from Saudi Riyals one hundred million (S.R. 100,000,000) to Saudi Riyals three hundred million (S.R. 300,000,000) by issuing (2,000,000) two million shares in cash of Saudi Riyals one hundred (S.R. 100) each payable in full upon subscription and to empower the Board of Directors to make the necessary arrangements for the implementation of such Resolution with due observance of Article 13 of the Bank's Articles of Association.

(4) To amend Article 6 of the Bank's Articles of Association to read as follows:

"The Share Capital of the Company shall be Saudi Riyals three hundred million (S.R. 300,000,000) only, divided into (3,000,000) three million shares of equal nominal value of Saudi Riyals one hundred (S.R. 100) each, all of which will be ordinary and cash shares, and all of which shall rank pari passu as one

class in all respects. The Company shall have power to alter, by increasing or reducing its capital subject to the provisions contained in these articles, the Companies Law, the Banking Control Law and any other applicable laws and regulations."

According to Article 32 of the Bank's Articles of Association each shareholder holding title to at least ten shares shall have the right to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting. The shareholder has the right to delegate another shareholder who is not a Director to attend the Meeting and to vote on the Resolutions taken thereat. The wording of the required proxy is hereinafter given.

The Shareholder who will attend the Meeting has to bring his Identity Card and the letter of allotment addressed to him by the Bank, to identify himself and to establish the quantity of shares he owns or is owned by the Shareholder or Shareholders whom he represents.

Shareholders wishing to attend the Meeting are requested to register their names and the number of shares they own or represent at the Bank's Head Office in Jeddah within the two days preceding the Meeting. The Shareholder when doing so shall be given his Voting Card.

Board of Directors

PROXY

I, the undersigned,
Saudi National as per my Identity Card No.
issued at on
as Owner of () shares of the Saudi British Bank
(Saudi Joint Stock Company) do hereby delegate
to attend on my behalf the Bank's Extraordinary General
Meeting to be held at Jeddah on Saturday 23rd Jumada
Thani 1399 (19th May 1979) and to vote on the matters
contained in the said General Meeting Agenda as he
thinks fit.

Made on 1399
1979

Notice to Shareholders to attend the Ordinary General Meeting

The Board of Directors has the pleasure to invite the Bank's Shareholders to attend the first Ordinary General Meeting to be held on Saturday 23rd Jumada Thani 1399 (19th May 1979) at 5.30 p.m. at Jeddah Palace Hotel, Jeddah to consider the following Agenda:

1) To approve the Board of Directors' Report as to the Bank's activities during the period commencing on first July 1978 to the end of December 1978 and considered as the Bank's first financial year.

2) To approve the Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Account as at December 31st 1978 and relieve the Directors from their liability therefor.

3) To approve the declaration of dividends as recommended by Board of Directors.

4) To appoint Auditors for the financial year 1979 and fix their remuneration.

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Made on 1399
1979

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البنك السعودي البريطاني The Saudi British Bank

(Saudi Joint Stock Company)

Balance Sheet of the Bank's Branches in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia as at 31 December 1978 (2 Safar 1399)

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES

| | |
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| CAPITAL | |
| AUTHORISED AND PAID UP | |
| 1,000,000 shares of SR 100 each | |
| RESERVES | |
| Statutory reserve | |
| General reserve | |
| PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT | |
| Retained income after reserves and proposed dividends | |
| SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS | |
| DEPOSITS | |
| Demand | |
| Time | |
| Banks | |
| Others (including marginal deposits) | |
| BORROWINGS | |
| From banks: | |
| In Saudi Arabia | |
| Overseas | |
| OTHER LIABILITIES | |
| Proposed dividends | |
| Other liabilities | |
| TOTAL CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES | |
| CONTRA ACCOUNTS | |
| Guarantees, letters of credit and acceptances | |

PROPERTY AND ASSETS

| SR | CASH FUNDS | SR | SR |
|---------------|---|---|---------------|
| 100,000,000 | Cash in hand Statutory deposit with Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency Other deposits with Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency | 59,879,653 321,641,726 412,084,923 | 793,606,302 |
| 9,014,973 | DEPOSITS WITH BANKS | 10,034,025 70,345,129 | 80,379,154 |
| 44,919 | In Saudi Arabia Overseas | | 873,985,456 |
| 109,059,892 | LOANS AND ADVANCES | 641,013,565 421,961,685 | 1,062,975,250 |
| 1,499,526,064 | Public sector less reserve for doubtful debts Banks | | |
| 353,777,903 | FIXED ASSETS LESS DEPRECIATION | 25,217,875 9,688,873 7,623,200 411,252 | 42,941,200 |
| 36,540,009 | Land and buildings Leasehold improvements Furniture, machinery and equipment Motor vehicles | | |
| 1,998,903,868 | OTHER ASSETS | 9,811,390 9,190,572 | 19,001,962 |
| 782,314,998 | Preopening expenses of new branches less amortisation Other assets | | |
| 2,781,218,866 | TOTAL ASSETS | | 1,998,903,868 |
| | CONTRA ACCOUNTS | | |
| | Guarantees, letters of credit and acceptances | | 782,314,998 |
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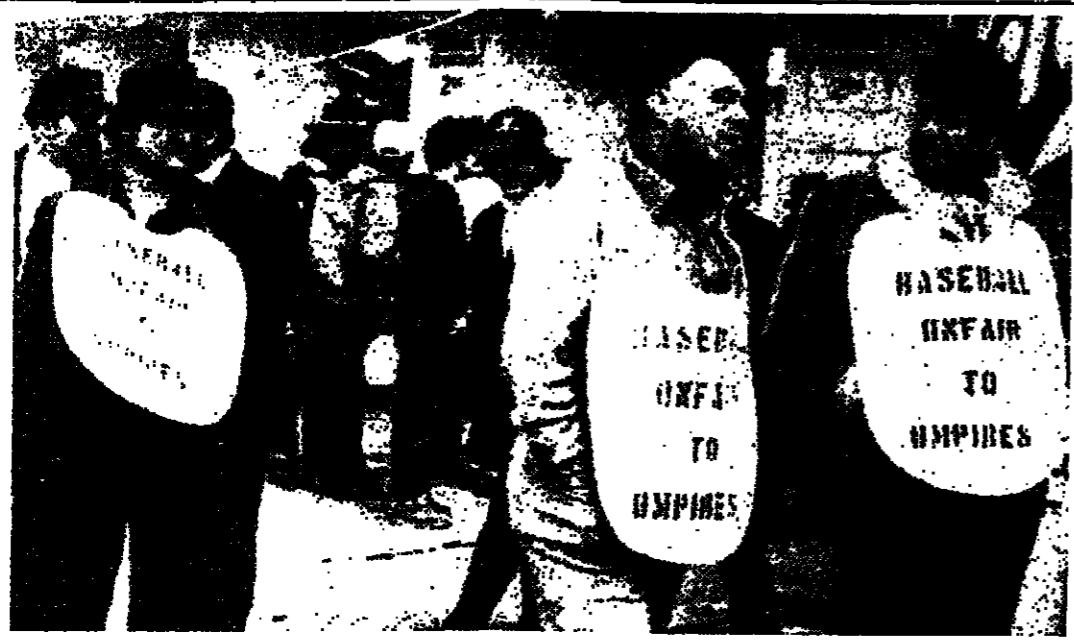
AUDITORS REPORT

We have examined the financial statements of the Saudi British Bank. Our examination included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary. In our opinion the financial statements present a fair view of the state of affairs of the Bank at 31 December 1978 and the results of its operations for the period then ended.

Profit and Loss Account for the period from 1 July to 31 December 1978

| EXPENSES | | Saudi Rials | INCOME | Saudi Rials |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Salaries & other Staff expenses | | 15,328,323 | Income from Foreign Exchange | 50,519,248 |
| Directors Fees, Remuneration etc. | | 390,500 | transactions & other services | |
| Service Charges | | 9,704,175 | | |
| Provision for Depreciation etc. | | | | |
| a. Depreciation on Leasehold Improvements | 903,807 | | | |
| Furniture & Equipment. | — | | | |
| b. Other Provisions | | | | |
| Other expenses | | 903,807 | | |
| Net Income dealt with as follows:- | | 8,132,551 | | |
| a. Statutory Reserve | | 16,059,892 | | |
| b. General Reserve | 4,014,973 | | | |
| c. Proposed Dividends | 5,000,000 | | | |
| d. Retained income | 7,000,000 | | | |
| | 44,919 | | | |
| | 16,059,892 | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | 50,519,248 | | 50,519,248 |





STRIKE: Major League umpires are on strike and substitute umpire parked a half-hour argument when he refused to rule a double play against the Mets and allowed Richie Hebner back on first in the first inning.

Substitute umpire

Half-hour row mars Mets win

NEW YORK, April 25 (AP) — Umpire Phil Lospitalier, a substitute working during the Major League umpires' dispute, allowed Hebner back to first because of the confusion. The Mets argued that Mazzilli should have been declared safe first because Clark dropped the ball.

In another National League game, in Cincinnati John Milner's two-run homer capped a 17-hit Pittsburgh attack and the Pirates routed the Reds 9-2.



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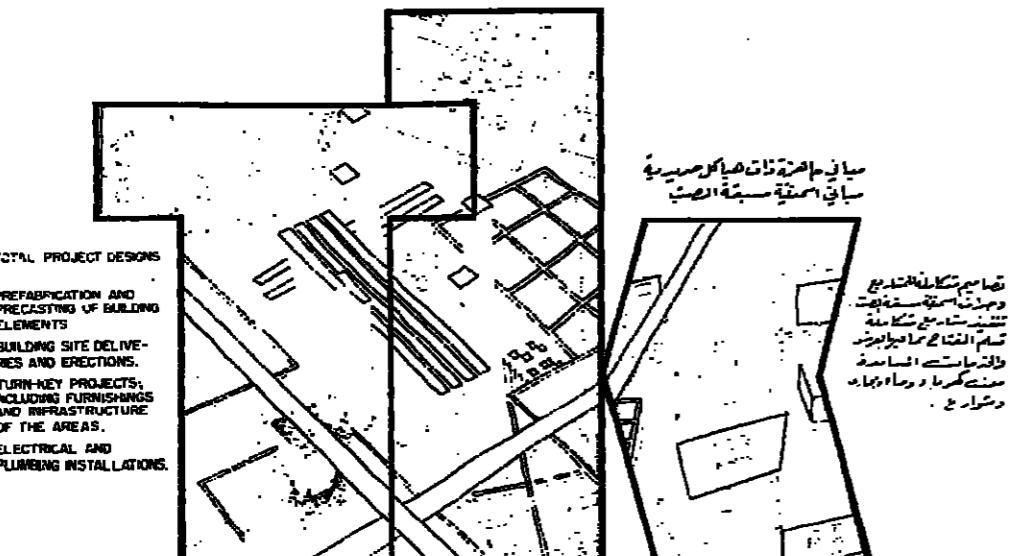
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Borg rallies to win after 1st set loss

LAS VEGAS, April 25 (AP) — Top-seeded Bjorn Borg recovered after a slow start Tuesday to beat Hana Pfister 2-6, 6-3, 6-1, but no. 4 seed Vitas Gerulaitis fell to Peter Fleming 6-7, 5-4, 6-4 in first-round play in a men's \$250,000 tennis tournament.

In other opening matches, third-seeded John McEnroe downed Sandy Mayer 6-3, 6-3, and John Alexander topped Rod Laver 6-7, 6-3, 6-1.

Borg said he was a little worried after losing the opening set, but felt the momentum changed in the second.

"I didn't have any feel for the ball in the first set, was missing easy passing shots," said Borg. "But I felt things: sling my way when I broke him in the sixth game of the second set."

The match between Fleming and Gerulaitis was ragged, with



Bjorn Borg

both players often making unforced errors.

"I'm not proud of my game," said Fleming. "I wish I was just a little steadier."

Tuesday's matches were played under nearly ideal conditions, with temperatures in the 80s and little wind, after gusts had bothered the contestants who began play Monday. The singles finale is Saturday, with the winner collecting \$50,000.

French Olympic unit approves tour by South African players

PARIS, April 25 (R) — The South African Rugby Union tour of France later this year, which could have repercussions affecting the 1980 Moscow Olympics, is hanging in the balance after a statement by the French National Olympic and Sporting Committee (CNOSEF) Tuesday that they would not mix politics with sport.

The statement in favor of the tour came after an announcement by the French government earlier this month that the Springboks' visit due to start in October would be inopportune.

The CNOSEF said in their statement that they "solemnly affirmed that sporting contacts between nations did not in any way imply approval of their political regime or of their ideology."

French Rugby Federation (FFR) President Albert Ferrasse has made it clear that as far as his organization is concerned the team from South Africa could play in France.

graph of a letter sent to him earlier this month by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) which appeared to threaten France with expulsion from the Moscow Olympics, had been sent in error.

"The last paragraph, which was very tough, no longer exists," he said.

The CNOSEF statement "rejects all threats, from wherever they came, against French athletes who together with all the world's athletes have the right to take part in the Olympic Games."

In Error

But CNOSEF President Caluse Collard said Tuesday that a para-

British football results

LONDON, April 25 (AP) — British football results Tuesday:

| English League | |
|----------------|--------------|
| Division One | |
| B'ham | 1 West Brom. |
| Carlisle | 1 Middlesb'. |
| Champion | 1 Liverpool |
| Wolves | 4 Derby |
| Division Two | |
| Millwall | 0 Fulham |
| Notts | 0 Leicester |

1 Wrexham
 0 Camb
 3 Bury

1 Exeter
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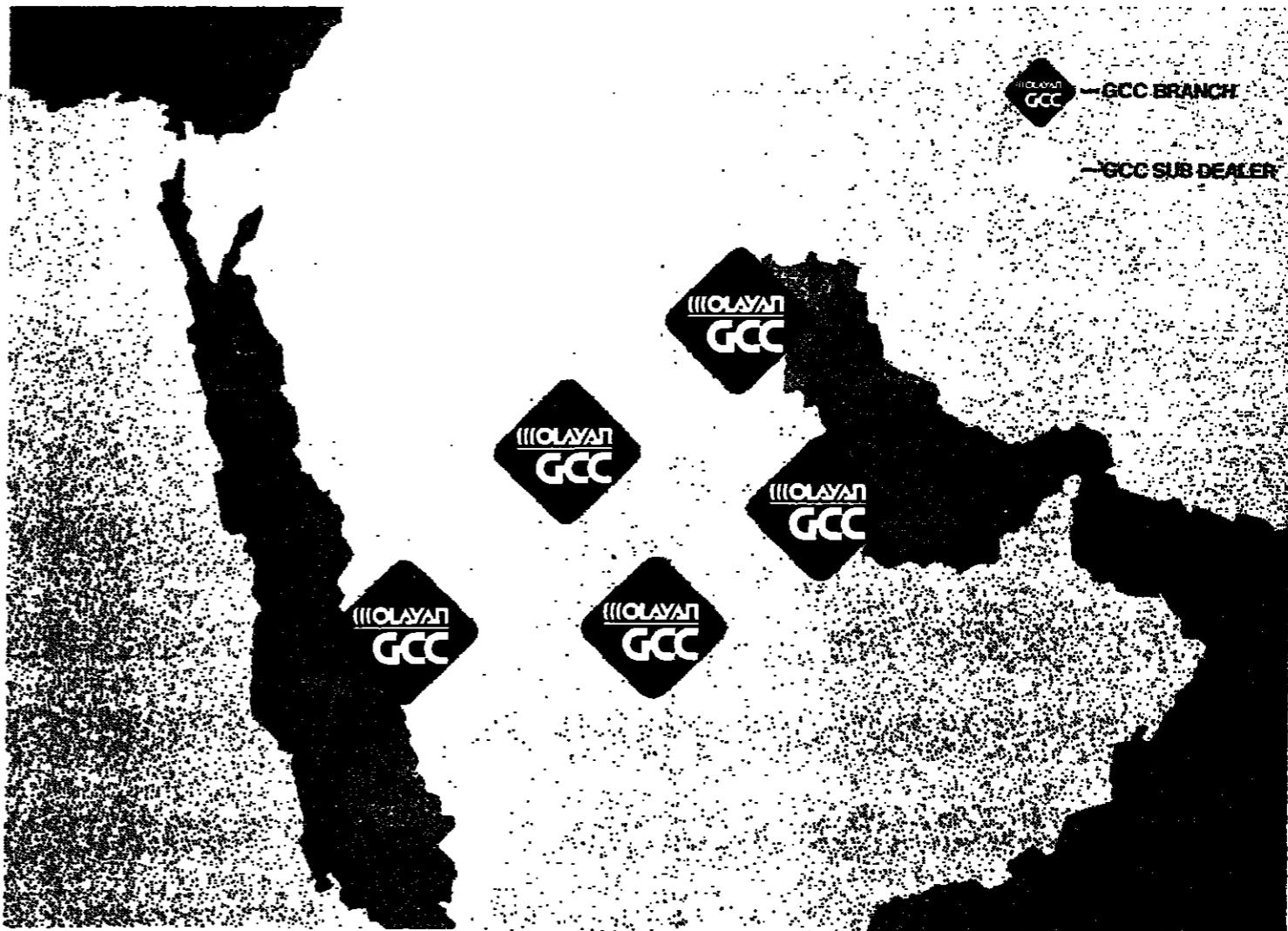
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More U.S. oil firms report big profit increases this year

NEW YORK, April 25 (AP) — Profits of Texaco Inc. increased 81 per cent in the first quarter, while Gulf Oil Co.'s earnings rose 61 per cent in the latest in a series of reports showing oil company earnings have benefited from sharply higher world petroleum prices.

Texaco is the third-largest U.S. oil company. It said Tuesday that net earnings in the quarter rose to \$ 307 million, compared with \$ 169.7 million in the first quarter of 1978.

Gulf Oil Co. saw its earnings rise to \$ 241 million in the first three months of this year, compared with the same period last year.

Shell Oil Co. of the U.S. also reported its profits were up in the first quarter, by 16 per cent to \$ 224 million.

Analysts expected similar rosy reports as more major oil com-

panies release their first-quarter reports within the week.

Shell's net earnings of \$ 224 million are equivalent to \$ 1.47 a share, up from \$ 193 million or \$ 1.31 a share in the first three months of last year. Revenue was \$ 3.1 billion, up from \$ 2.6 billion in the first quarter of 1978.

Jenkins calls for EEC oil conservation policy

FRANKFURT, April 25 (R) — Roy Jenkins, British president of the European Common Market Commission, has called for new efforts to shape a common energy policy for the community.

In a speech Tuesday he warned of the possibility of a permanent, debilitating energy crisis in the 1980s if the Nine did not consult

more closely on energy matters. The oil price increase of last December alone, he said, cost the community \$ 5 billion in extra import charges.

According to provisional estimates, the price rise had added 0.45 per cent to the inflation rate and set back economic growth by 0.4 per cent.

Soviet economic plan not living up to goals

MOSCOW, April 25 (R) — The Soviet Union failed to meet its economic growth targets for the first quarter of 1979, raising the prospect of another disappointing year for planners in the Kremlin and consumers in the shops.

Official results released Tuesday blamed harsh winter weather for the fact that overall economic production fell 0.3 per cent short.

Western economic experts said the weakness could not all be explained by the harsh frosts which struck large areas of the country in January.

"I cannot remember seeing such a poor set of figures," one said. The individual monthly results for January, February and March have not been released this year, a departure from usual practice.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

| Opening Wednesday | SAMA rate | Cash | Transfer |
|---|-----------|--------|----------|
| U.S. Dollar | 3.38 | 3.39 | 3.39 |
| Pound Sterling | 6.99 | 7.05 | 6.98 |
| Deutsche Mark (100) | 178.00 | 179.60 | 179.25 |
| Swiss F (100) | 197.00 | 198.00 | 197.50 |
| French F (100) | 78.00 | 78.00 | 78.00 |
| Italian Lira (1000) | 4.00 | 4.02 | 4.04 |
| Lebanese Lira (100) | — | 106.25 | 106.75 |
| Syrian Lira (100) | — | 75.50 | 87.10 |
| Egyptian Pound | — | 4.56 | — |
| Kuwaiti Dinar | — | 12.20 | 12.18 |
| Jordanian Dinar | — | 11.15 | 11.15 |
| Emirates Dirham (100) | — | 88.25 | 88.25 |
| Qatari Riyal (100) | — | 88.25 | 88.25 |
| Bahraini Dinar | — | 8.82 | 8.82 |
| Iranian Riyal (100) | — | 40.00 | — |
| Iraqi Dinar | — | 74.25 | 74.40 |
| Yemeni Riyal (100) | — | 77.50 | 87.75 |
| Moroccan Dirham (100) | — | — | 41.00 |
| Indian Rupee (100) | — | — | 34.40 |
| Pakistani Rupee (100) | — | — | — |
| Gold kg | — | 26.450 | — |
| 10 Tolas bar | — | 3.090 | — |
| Silver kg bar | — | — | — |
| Japanese yen (100) | 1.55 | — | — |
| Canadian dollar | 2.96 | — | — |
| Belgian franc (10) | 1.12 | — | — |
| Dutch guilder | 1.65 | — | — |
| SAMA rates announced by the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency, based on average rates on the London money market and the official price of the U.S. dollar. | | | |
| Cash and transfer rates supplied by Al-Rajhi Company for currency Exchange and Commerce, Gabel St., Jeddah. Tel.: 23815 | | | |

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Dow up 6.76

Market gains on heavy volume

NEW YORK, April 25 —

Energy issues led the market's advance Tuesday as the Dow

Jones Industrial Average closed up 6.76, transports rose 1.51, and utilities lost .06. Volume of trad-

ing for the day was 35.5 million

shares with breadth on the positive side as gainers outnumbered losers by an almost 2-to-1 margin.

The American Exchange Index

gained 1.56 to 182.44.

Among the energy issues,

Atlantic Richfield up 7/8 to 65 1/2

Getty Oil added 1/2 to 46 1/4, Mesa

Pete rose 1/4 to 43 1/4, Standard

Ohio up 1/4 to 49 1/4, Mobil added

1 1/2 to 79, Exxon added 1 to 53 1/4, DuPont fell 1/2 to 133, Stauffer added 1/2 to 43 1/2, Union Carbide up 1/2 to 38 1/2, International Paper gained 1/2 to 45 1/4, Johns Manville up 1/2 to 25 1/2, Owens Corning off 1/2 to 26 1/2, and Financial Federation added 2 1/2 to 39 1/2.

Auto and machinery issues

were also mixed with GM off 1/2 to 59 1/2, Deere up 1/2 to 34 1/2, Joy

Mfg. lost 1/2 to 31 1/2 and Parker

Hannifin up 1/2 to 27 1/2.

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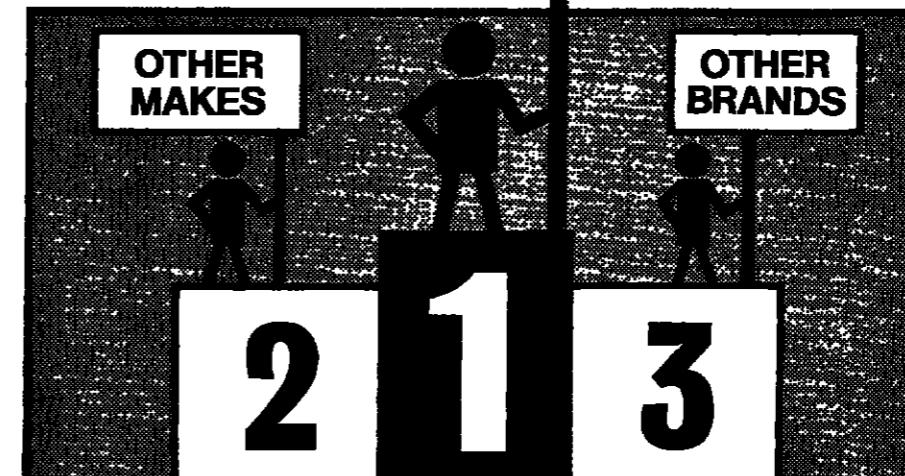
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Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

| Authority | Description | No. of Tender | Price SR | Closing Date |
|--|--|---------------|----------|--------------|
| Directorate of the National Guard. | Fencing with barbed wire around the cavalry camp in Kasm Al-Aan | 15-98/99 | 500 | May 12 |
| Municipality of Jubail | Maintaining of lights in the town | 1000 | — | May 21 |
| Ministry of Communications | Preventive maintenance of Qaisounah/Neairiah and Abu Hadriah/Al-Khafji roads | 500 | — | May 21 |
| | Preventive maintenance of Qaisounah/Arar road | 500 | — | May 22 |
| Directorate of the National Guard | Constructing of three big storehouses in Riyadh | 14-98/99 | 600 | April 28 |
| Department of Water and Sewage, Eastern Province | Supply of mobile air compressors | 13-98/99 | 150 | May 22 |
| Municipality of Tabuk | Securing of oil and lubricating of municipality's vehicles and equipment | 30 | — | May 15 |

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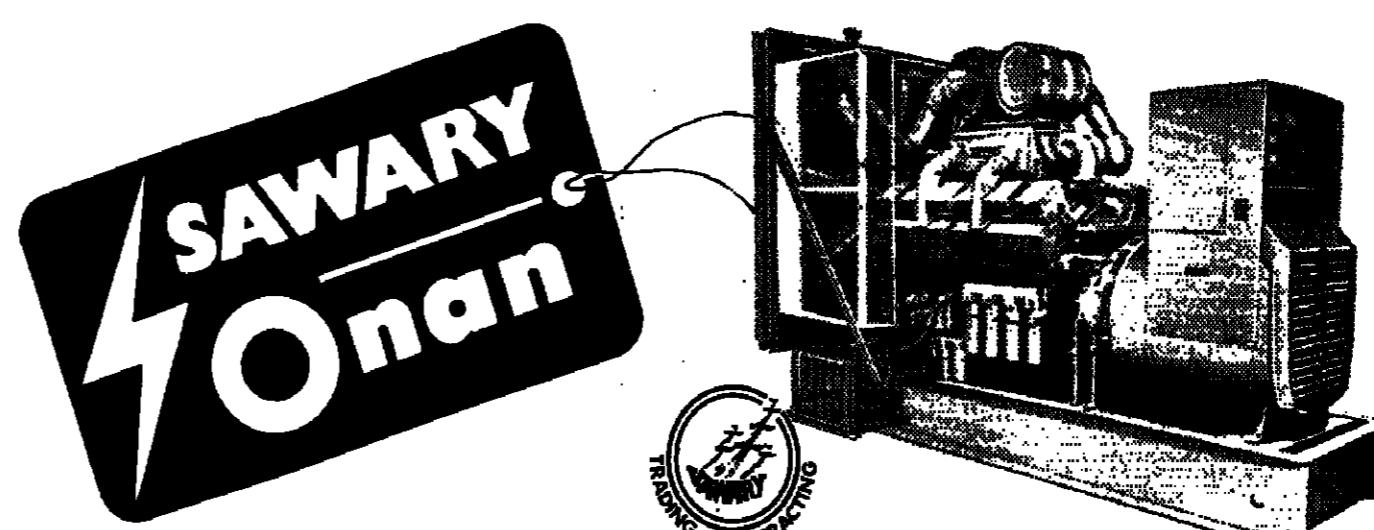
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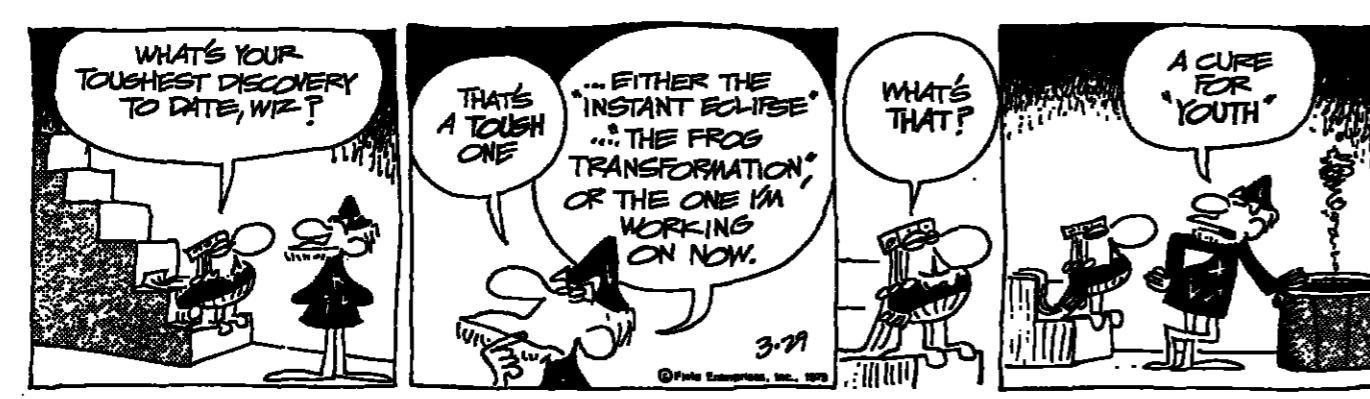
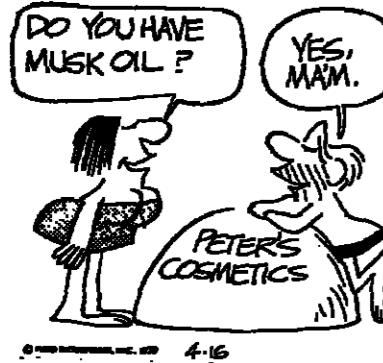
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PRAYER TIMES

| | Friday | Ishraq | Dhuhr | Asr | Maghreb | Isha |
|--------|--------|--------|-------|------|---------|------|
| Mecca | 4:38 | 5:59 | 12:25 | 3:48 | 6:46 | 8:16 |
| Medina | 4:33 | 5:49 | 12:27 | 3:55 | 6:51 | 8:20 |
| Nejd | 4:05 | 5:30 | 11:58 | 3:24 | 6:21 | 7:51 |

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4:30 Children's Show
6:30 George Kirby Show
6:54 Welcome Back Kotter
7:25 Rickford Files
8:13 NFL Football

Sesame Street: No. 1082
Nancy Wilson
Kotter For Vice Principal
Rattler's Class Of 63
Highlights: No. 12,
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Forecast for the next 24 hours:
Moderate weather over the northern, central and eastern regions, where the temperatures will tend to decline gradually. Surface winds will blow northerly at moderate to active speed, but will turn north-easterly over the western coast raising dust and sands during the day. The eastern coast may have fog in the early hours of the morning. Sea conditions will be medium to moderate in the territorial waters.

Wednesday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

| | | | | | |
|---------|----|----|--------|----|----|
| Mecca | 35 | 25 | Hail | 26 | 16 |
| Jeddah | 33 | 25 | Tabuk | 25 | 12 |
| Riyadh | 40 | 20 | Arar | 26 | 13 |
| Dhahran | 37 | 21 | Sulayl | 39 | 20 |
| Medina | 37 | 25 | Yambu | 34 | 27 |
| Taif | 33 | 18 | Abha | 29 | 11 |

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| Afternoon Transmission | 10:01 The Holy Quran |
| 2:00 Opening | 10:05 Message to the Faithful |
| 2:01 The Holy Quran | 10:10 Light Music |
| 2:05 Gems of Guidance | 10:15 NEWS |
| 2:10 S.A. — Historical Notes | 10:25 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle |
| 2:20 On Islam | 10:30 Melody Makers |
| 2:30 Hits in Germany | 11:00 Youth Welfare |
| 3:00 NEWS | 11:10 Music |
| 3:10 Press Review | 11:15 Hot Rock |
| 3:15 Music | 11:45 The Golden Age |
| 3:20 Islamic Activities | 12:00 Imp. Com. & Recollections |
| 3:30 Leaps and Bounds | 12:10 Music |
| 3:40 Music | 12:15 Mood Music |
| 3:50 close Down | 12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams |
| Evening Transmission | 01:00 Close Down |

VOA

| | |
|---|---|
| F.M. | 10:05 Opinion: Analyses |
| 8:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities: Opinion: Analyses | 10:30 VOA Magazine: America: Science; Cultural: Letter |
| 8:30 Dateline | 11:00 Special English: News |
| 9:00 Special English: News: Feature: The Making of a Nation | 11:30 Music USA: (Jazz) |
| 9:30 Music USA: (Standards) | VOA WORLD REPORT |
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Every Player Is Dealt 13 Cards

East dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

♦A J 7 2

C 5 4

Q 4 3

♦A 7 5 3

WEST

♦K 10 9

♦Q 5 3

Q 4 2

♦Q 10 8 6 3

♦Q 2 10 8 4

♦Q 6

SOUTH

♦A 8 4

Q 9

♦A K Q 10

♦K 9 2

The bidding:

East South West North

Pass 2 NT Pass 3 NT

Opening lead - two of hearts.

A much better idea is to cash dummy's ace of spades first. There are two great advantages to this play. One is that West's king may fall on the ace. The other is that if the king does not fall you'll then know much more about West's diamonds and two clubs.

There are several ways by which you might acquire one or two more tricks. The jack of diamonds may fall if you lead the A-K-Q, making your ten a trick; you may gain a trick by taking a spade finesse; you may gain two tricks if the clubs are divided 3-2 and East has the queen.

No harm can come from first cashing the A-K of diamonds. When you do, both defenders follow suit but the jack does not appear. You should then focus your attention on clubs by playing your ace to the ace and a low club back. When East shows out, all your chances in that suit go down the drain.

You next play a low spade to the jack. When the finesse wins, you have now at long last acquired an eighth trick. You could then lead a diamond towards your Q-10, but you'd be faced with a tough decision if East followed low. You wouldn't know whether to play the queen or the ten, and either play could prove to be disastrous.

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Accordingly, you lead a diamond from dummy and finesse the ten, supremely confident that the finesse will produce trick number nine.

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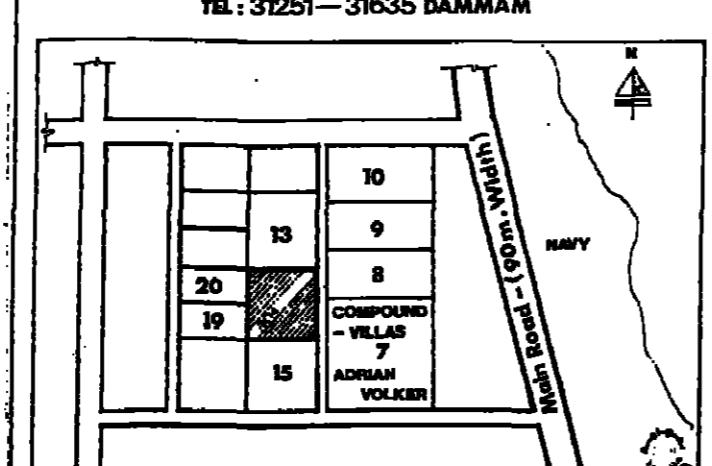
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Scoffs at Sithole's charges

Muzorewa appeals for West support

SALISBURY, April 24 (R) — Bishop Abel Muzorewa, riding on the crest of his party's overwhelming victory in Rhodesia's first one-man, one-vote election, has appealed to the world to recognize the new black-dominated state of Zimbabwe Rhodesia.

The prime minister-designate said Tuesday the election result proved the Rhodesian people rejected the Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance and said Britain should lead the way to international recognition.

The Ballot
 "The people have firmly rejected the forces of darkness and evil and have firmly shown the ballot and not the bullet will determine the nature of their future," he told a news conference.

"What we now look forward to is that the international community will accept the outcome of our elections," the bishop said.

"We have now completed the requirements of successive British governments and trust that Her Majesty's government will now provide the lead to the international community in lifting sanctions and recognizing the government of Zimbabwe Rhodesia," he said.

Bishop Muzorewa's United African National Council (UANC)

secured 51 seats in the 100-seat parliament and a clear majority in the cabinet of the resulting black-white coalition of national unity.

A Loser

The only sour note of the day

In shopping center

Salisbury bomb kills man

SALISBURY, April 25 (AP) — A bomb exploded in a Salisbury shopping center Wednesday, killing one black, military headquarters said.

Police on the scene of the blast at May's Carpe Supermarket on Sinoia Street, near the city center said a second black was injured.

They said they found a wrecked suitcase and pieces of a clock which indicated a timing device.

The bomb had been placed in a disused storeroom at the rear of the supermarket, a correspondent reported from the scene.

The blast lifted the roof from the storeroom and shattered windows and damaged walls in nearby buildings.

Police cordoned off the area, which was almost deserted when the blast occurred at about 1250 GMT.

Bishop Muzorewa's United African National Council (UANC)

came when the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole, a veteran leader in Rhodesia, challenged the election result, saying there had been gross irregularities in polling.

The 54-year-old bishop dismissed Sithole's accusations as those of a loser.

The only sour note of the day

"We won't go without any sleep over that."

In case if any Sithole supporters felt inclined towards violent protest, the bishop added "The government will discipline those who do not want to be law-abiding citizens."

The bishop, who has risen from obscurity in eight years, appealed to Patriotic Front guerrillas who support his former allies Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe to lay down their arms.

Bishop Muzorewa parried questions on whether his government would follow Anglo-American proposals and attend an all-parties peace conference with the Patriotic Front.

Sources said he opposed this as it would inevitably mean negotiating away some of the power he has just won.

"The government of national unity is now going to decide on the policy of whether there will be negotiations with whom and where," he said.

War

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Outgoing Premier Ian Smith has a strong voice in the new government.

His Rhodesian Front Party has already secured all 28 white seats in parliament, guaranteeing it five seats in the cabinet — second only to the UANC.

Asked about Sithole's assertion that his Zimbabwe African National Union (ZANU) would not accept the election result as the people's verdict until an independent inquiry had been convened, bishop Muzorewa said the coalition would go on without

It was the first major bomb attack on Salisbury since a guerrilla blast killed 11 blacks and wounded more than 70 at a department store in August 1977. A bomb a week later badly damaged a city center office block but caused no casualties.

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